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HMS "SHEFFIELD" SENT TO BELIZE

"Irresponsible Elements" May Attack British Honduras

Sequel To Fuss Over Falkland Islands

London, Feb. 26. H.M.S. "Sheffield" has been ordered to Belize (British Honduras), a Foreign Office spokesman said today. The cruiser was ordered there while she was paying a courtesy visit to Cartagena, Colombia.

"We believe there is the possibility of an incident by irresponsible elements operating from Guatemalan territory," the spokesman said.

He made it clear, however, that the British Government expected such "irresponsible elements" to act and not the Guatemalan Government.

The spokesman said the excitement was caused by the recent violent Guatemalan press attacks renewing the claims of Guatemala to Belize. This press campaign, the spokesman added, may be an encouragement to irresponsible elements to act. Thus it became necessary to dispatch "Sheffield."

The press campaign was launched in connection with Chilean and Argentine activities in the Antarctic about which the Guatemalan press expressed a most demonstrative satisfaction, the spokesman said.

Anxiety that Guatemala may renew her Belize claims in a way which might call for British naval action had been expressed repeatedly by British newspapers during the past few days but only today it was disclosed officially that the situation had become tense on the "British Honduras front."

The spokesman made it clear that the dispatch of "Sheffield" was a preventive measure calculated to discourage an outbreak of disorders. According to official reports, no actual incidents have occurred so far.

Sarcasm

Mr. W.J. Brown, (Independent), M.P. writing in the "Evening Standard," said the "Insult from Argentina" almost anticipated the Honduras trouble.

He commented ironically: "From now on we had better keep an eye on Monaco. It may be tempted to seize Malta."

Mr. Brown, denouncing British naval weakness, added: "We sent a couple of wooden sloops and a small cruiser from South Africa with instructions 'Be firm but do not fight.' How are they expected to cope with the Argentine Navy?"—United Press.

Mr. Bevin

London, Feb. 25. Argentine has told Britain that the Argentine vessels around Deception Island, had no intention of asserting any right or taking possession of any territory. They were merely there to carry out routine exercises.

Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, who gave this fact to the House of Commons today, insisted on the rival claims in

DUTIES TO GO

London, Feb. 26. Eire's new Cabinet had decided to abolish the increased duties on beer, tobacco and entertainment, imposed in Mr. De Valera's autumn austerity budget.

A pint of beer will drop from 1/2d to 11d, 20 Cigarettes from 2/- to 1/8d (tobacco 5d per ounce less).—Reuter.

Hong Kong Doesn't Mind If It Does!

Hong Kong's capacity for liquor and tobacco as revealed in returns for 1947 has inspired some monumental calculations with results as astronomical as current quotations for Chinese national dollars.

If all the cigarettes paying duty in 1947 were placed end to end they would stretch for 48,815 miles, or about twice round the earth.

The total, 1,874,830,400, weighed about 1,835 tons. If it all the same time this collection of cigarettes was calculated to obliterate the Peak more effectively than the worst fog.

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Macao To Cooperate

Shanghai, Feb. 26. Disclosure that the Macao Government had agreed to conclude an anti-smuggling agreement with the Chinese Government and that negotiations were under way for such a pact was made by Ting Kwei-tung, deputy Inspector-General of Chinese Customs, on his return here yesterday from a six months inspection tour of customs posts.—Reuter.

False Report Led To Loss Of "Pr. Of Wales" "Repulse"

London, Feb. 26. A false report of Japanese landings at Kuantan on Malaya's east coast led to the most disastrous naval defeat of World War II—the loss of the new battleship Prince of Wales and the battle cruiser Repulse. Both ships, pounded by high-level bombers and blasted by torpedoes from low-flying aircraft, capsized and sank within the space of 1½ hours on Dec. 10, 1941.

Sinking of Repulse cost 27 officers and 486 men while 49 officers and 754 men survived. Casualties on Prince of Wales were not disclosed.

The vivid narrative of the last operation of these big ships in defence of the Malayan Peninsula was told today in Admiralty despatches published as a supplement to the London Gazette.

This is the Admiralty's story of the sinking of Prince of Wales and Repulse and four destroyers.

The force left Singapore in the late afternoon of Dec. 8 steaming north to attack Japanese landings between Singapore and Patani in Siam but the force was sighted by Japanese naval reconnaissance and the attack was abandoned.

The Japanese planned the Malayan-Singapore operation with meticulous attention to detail. The striking force included well-drilling groups, water-purification platoons and sanitation companies to attend to horses, which helped to drag huge guns into emplacements from which they lobbed shells along the length of the Malayan peninsula and into Singapore island.

In their nine-week thrust on the Malayan peninsula, the Japanese employed the 25th Army, commanded by Lieutenant-General Tomoyuki Yamashita, whose Chief of Staff was Lieutenant-General Sasaki. Yamashita was dubbed "Tiger of Malaya." He surrendered in the Philippines and was executed for war crimes.

Yamashita's 25th Army of four Divisions, one Tank Group and two Tank Regiments was reinforced with an Artillery Group, an Engineer Group and Signal Group, plus a Railway and a Communication Group. The latter included road construction, well-drilling, motor transport and freight-handling units.

Guns Hub To Hub The Artillery Group was mechanised and employed 105 mm. guns and 150 mm. howitzers—formidable pieces of equipment which were lined up almost hub to hub at Johore for siege of Singapore island. (Continued on Page 12)

STOP PRESS

Sydney, Feb. 26.

Lieutenant-General Bennett, former Australian General Commanding in Malaya, who escaped after the Japanese had taken Singapore, today described the full account of the Malayan campaign given in the despatches of Lieutenant-General A. C. Percival, former General Officer Commanding Malaya, as "very honest."

On General Percival's report that untrained reinforcements, including two thousand Australian soldiers, were sent to Malaya with only a few weeks training, General Bennett said: "It was worse than that. Large numbers had not even been trained. They were being sent to Malaya within a few days of training."—Reuter.



Many groups of local businessmen visited Kai Tak yesterday to inspect the Atlas Sky Merchant plane. By special invitation, visitors were entertained on board the aircraft in which several sound films of a technical nature, relating to the products of the Atlas Supply Co., the Standard Vacuum Oil Co., and the Standard Oil Co., were screened. The plane leaves for Shanghai today.—"China Mail" Photo

Malaya's Damage Claims

LONDON, FEB. 25. WAR DAMAGE PAYMENTS IN MALAYA WERE REFERRED TO AT QUESTION TIME IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TODAY WHEN MR. LEONARD GAMMANS, CONSERVATIVE, ASKED IF A DECISION HAD YET BEEN REACHED ON COMPENSATION FOR PERSONAL EFFECTS LOST DURING THE OCCUPATION OF MALAYA BY THE JAPANESE.

He also asked on what basis compensation was fixed.

Mr. David Rees-Williams, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, replied: "The Malayan War Damage Claims Commission is at present in this country for discussions with departments concerned."

"It will be necessary for the Malayan Government to consider the outcome of these discussions in the light of the general financial position before a statement can be made of the basis on which any compensation for war damage can be paid."—Reuter.

GOLD RATE DROPS

Gold took a sharp about turn yesterday, and from Wednesday's peak rate of \$372 a tael, dropped to \$357 at the close of the market.

Opening in the morning at \$362.50, it went up to \$354.50 for a while. Selling pressure then brought the price down on a continuous descent to \$357.

U.S. dollars dropped in sympathy and at the close of the market the rate was down to \$5.55, as against \$5.85 the day before.

Piastres had another market-day at \$12.00 a 100, nominal. Ticals were unchanged at \$25.50 a 100, while West Indians were a little firmer at \$31.10 a 100.

Sterling was unchanged at \$12.85, as were Australian pounds at \$12.82.

ment, but struck in overwhelming numbers. He estimated that in the Malaya fighting the Japanese used about 700 first line aircraft against 105 Allied planes of obsolete and obsolescent types.

Maltby was Assistant Air Officer Commanding the R.A.F. Far East Command up to the fall of Singapore. In February, then escaping, with what he could, he went to Java where he was R.A.F. officer to March 12. At his capture he was the highest British officer to be taken captive.—Associated Press.

WHY DR. BENES GAVE WAY

Prague, Feb. 26. The Czechoslovak President, Dr. Benes, accepted Communist Premier Gottwald's Cabinet demands under duress because he wanted to avoid bloodshed. He was muzzled from appealing to the people by Communist control of the press and radio.

A high official who saw Dr. Benes yesterday and made the disclosure to the United Press today said he thought that the President would remain quiet another day and when would make some statement or take some action to disprove the world impression that he consented freely to a compromise solution.

The official said resignation or flight from the country were only two of the many alternatives that action by Dr. Benes might take. Another possibility is that he might make his influence felt among the voters and attempt to reverse the Communist victory in the elections on the chance that voting would be comparatively free.

Other evidence which supported this informant's statement were:—

1. A student delegation which called on the President's Chief of Cabinet, Dr. Smutny, said Smutny told them Dr. Benes submitted to Gottwald's demands "out of fear of bloodshed." Members of the delegation told the United Press that Smutny was crying when he told them they could not be received by the President.

2. Gottwald's announcing of the new Cabinet at the mass meeting at Wenceslas Square complained that it took the President a long time to make up his mind and "it wasn't an easy decision for him to make."

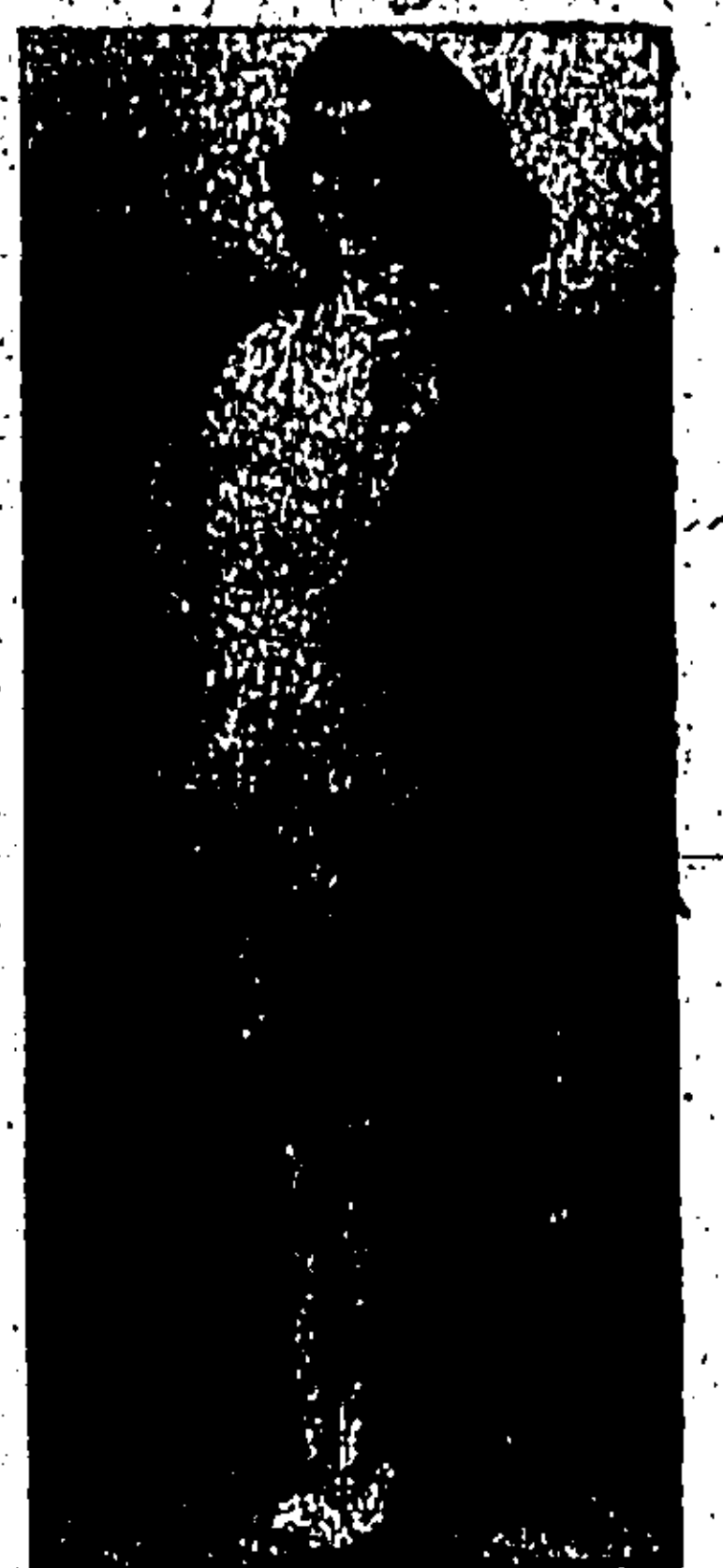
United Press.

MICHAEL VISIT TO U.S.

Washington, Feb. 25. Ex-King Michael of Rumania and his mother will shortly visit the United States, the State Department said today. The visit would be "entirely unofficial," the statement added.—Reuter.

Stars In Their Courses

(DID YOU SAY CORSETS?)



A pert little lady, she is appearing this week-end at the Queen's in Variety Girl.

The Weather

General situation: A ridge of high pressure extends south-east from south Manchuria. A low pressure system dominates China and Siam. A rapidly intensifying depression over Hokkaido is moving north-east.
Forecast: Moderate east winds, weather cloudy with early morning mist or drizzle. Warmer.
Yesterday's Weather:
Maximum 70.5 deg. Fah.
Minimum 61.2 deg. Fah.
Sunshine 4.7 hours.
Rainfall: Trace. Total since Jan. 1—38.9 mm (1.51 inches), as against an average of 15.4 mm (0.61 inches).
Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m.
Baro. at sea level 1009.5 mm (29.8 inches).
Baro. at 1000 ft. 1004.5 mm (29.6 inches).
Rel. Humidity 87% 77%
Dew Point 66° 61°
Wind Direction 110° 110°
Wind Force 14 17 knots.

KNOCKED DOWN BY R.A.F. CAR

A small boy was taken to Kowloon Hospital shortly after 3.30 p.m. yesterday in a serious condition after being knocked down by an R.A.F. Police patrol car.
The lad suffered severe injuries and was rushed to Kowloon Hospital by the R.A.F. car.

The Three Certainties Of Life:

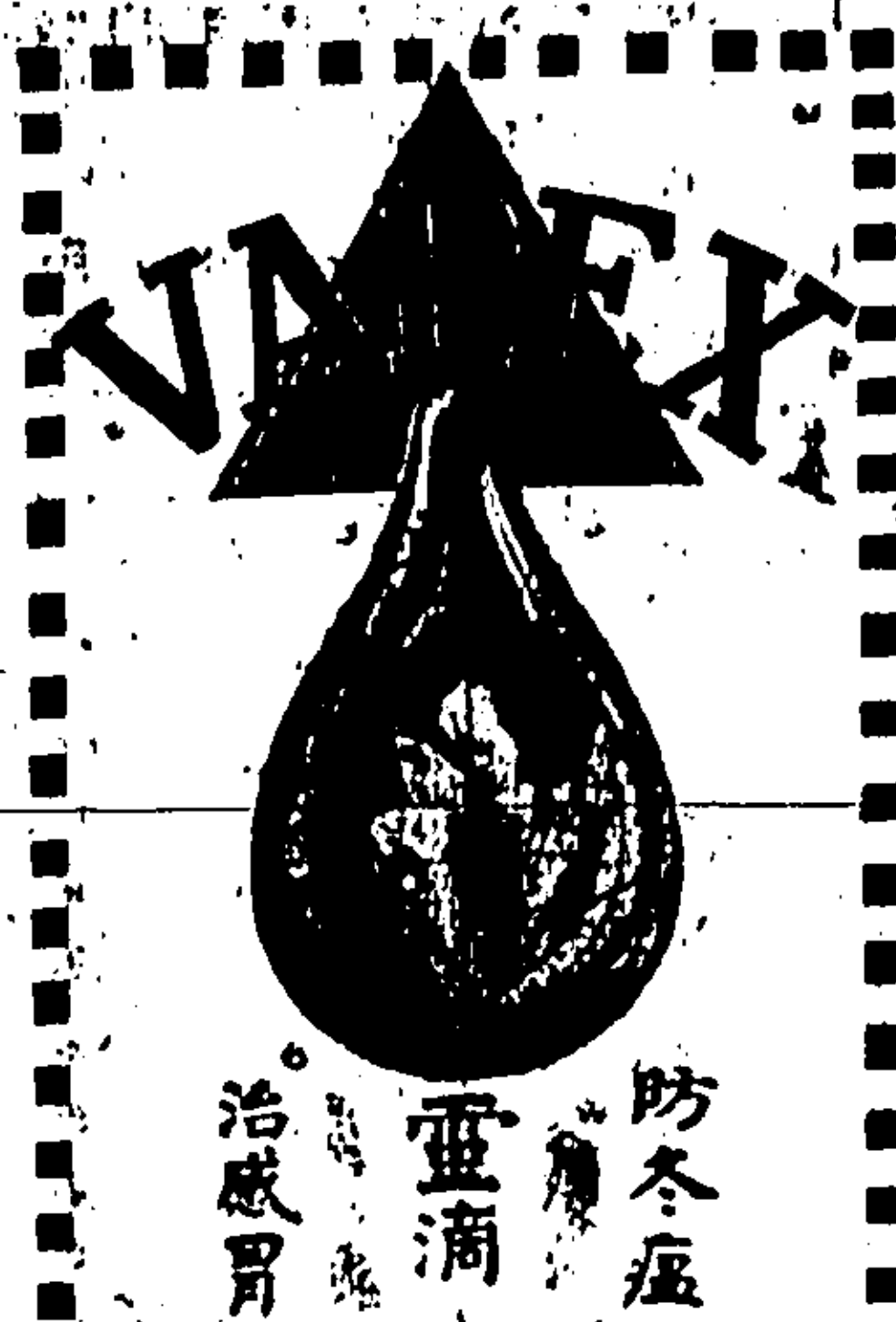
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Variety At The China Fleet Club

The servicemen in Hong Kong have greatly missed the entertainment provided by Combined Services Entertainment, whose activities have been curtailed in the Far East by the need for economy.

Necessity was ever the mother of invention, variety programme at the China Fleet Club Theatre. The programme commences at 8.00 p.m. and is likely to last for two hours. All members of the services in the Colony, accompanied by their wives and sweethearts, are invited to attend.

News has also been received that a C.S.E. Show—probably the last to visit the Colony—will arrive in the "Diluvium" on March 5. The show is entitled "It's a date with the Gibson Sisters and Buddy", introducing Vico Wilson. The show is scheduled to play at the China Fleet Club Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday, March 10 and 11. Outgoing units will probably see this company on March 8, 9 and 12.

TIME LIMIT EXTENDED

The public were informed in a press notice issued in October 1947 that the Chinese Government had fixed Dec. 31, 1947, as the time limit for the submission of claims by allied companies and individuals to property in China, which was under Japanese or Puppet control during the War.

The Chinese Government has now extended the time limit for six months until June 30, 1948.

Claims supported by documentary evidence should be submitted to the Alien Property Liquidation Department of the Central Trust of China at Shanghai.

Owing to repairs being necessary, Stanley Police Station has temporarily been removed, until further notice, to the Godown on the seaward side of Stanley Village Road, opposite St. Stephen's College.

POLICE DRIVER CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER

The tragedy at Queen Victoria Street on Dec. 22, 1947, when a 13-year old Chinese girl was killed and several other persons injured when the verandah of 82 Des Voeux Road Central collapsed after an E.U. vehicle allegedly collided with a pillar, had its sequel at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, when the trial of Ricardo Santos, on a charge of manslaughter, commenced before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice).

The case for the Crown is being conducted by Mr. A. Lonsdale, assisted by Traffic Inspector W. Ezgleston.

Mr. B. A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. Sidney Ng Quin of Messrs. Brutton & Co., is appearing for Santos.

After Mr. Lonsdale had opened for the Crown, the first witness for the prosecution called was Dr. D. W. Gould, who said that he performed a post-mortem on the body of a Chinese girl, Wong Sau-keng, aged about 13 years. The body was covered with dust and grit. There were bruises on the forehead and face. Small abrasions also appeared elsewhere. Death was consistent with asphyxia.

The next witness, Dr. E. L. Covino, said that he saw and caused at the Queen Mary Hospital. The latter was in an excitable condition, his speech was slightly incoherent and his breath smelt of alcohol. The pupils of his eyes were also dilated. Accused appeared to be shocked.

Cross-examined, Dr. Covino said that the deceased state of accused might have caused amnesia. The amnesia would have been from the time of the shock and should have lasted only for a short while. He should have been able to remember events up to the time of the shock.

Leung Wai-yung, mother of the deceased, testified to having identified the body of her daughter at the Mortuary.

Beer

PCC Wally Teng said that at about noon on Dec. 22, 1947, he saw Santos in the Canteen drinking beer. Santos drank two cups of beer, which was the equivalent of one small bottle.

Answering Mr. Bernacchi Teng denied offering beer to Santos. When he entered the Canteen, there were already two bottles of beer before Santos. Three further bottles were ordered. At the time witness left the Canteen, the beer had all been consumed.

PCC Walter Marr also gave evidence as to having seen

Santos in the Canteen

Sgt. C. J. de Souza said that between 1 and 2 p.m. on Dec. 22, he handed a duty slip to PCC Pereira, who was detailed for duty at the General Post Office at 2 p.m. He gave no permission for anyone to take any vehicle from the Police Compound.

"Excited"

SUB-Inspector Frank Penfold said that he was in charge of the Emergency Unit at Central on Dec. 22, 1947. At about 12.50 p.m. he called for a driver to take a small van to the Queen Mary Hospital. Santos came out from the Reserve Room and volunteered to drive. Witness said that he declined the offer and told Santos that he did not want an accident with the E. U. vehicle. Santos appeared to be excited. If he had appeared normal, witness would have allowed him to drive the van.

Uniformed Police Officers

Penfold said that he did not give any instructions to anybody to drive the large vehicle. There were two E. U. vehicles at Central at that time. The large one was provided with a searchlight and loudspeaker. There were three civilian drivers and four uniformed drivers at Central, the latter only being allowed to drive the small van.

Under cross-examination, Penfold declared that there was always one civilian driver on duty. He did not notice any on the day of the accident.

No Licence

Witness said that he was not aware that Santos was in possession of a licence to drive all Police vehicles. He knew that the men were taught by Inspector Reynolds to drive a three-ton lorry and that they took their tests in that type of lorry. There was nothing laid down to the effect that Santos could not drive the large E. U. vehicle.

PCC F. de F. Pereira said that he was on reserve at Central Police Station on Dec. 22, 1947. At about 1.45 p.m. he was sent for by Sgt. Souza, who gave him orders to report for duty at the General Post Office. No time was mentioned. Pereira said that he usually walked to his point of duty.

Santos, who had apparently overheard Sgt. Souza giving instructions, offered to give witness a lift. As the vehicle which Santos was driving began to proceed down the ramp, the rear wheel struck some object and the vehicle tilted to one side. Pereira said that immediately on his feeling the shock, he jumped out.

He was asked by Souza to go after the vehicle, which had proceeded down the ramp. On reaching the foot of the incline, he could no longer see the vehicle, which had turned towards the right.

Seemed Normal

Replying to Mr. Bernacchi, Pereira said that when Santos offered to give him a lift, the latter, appeared normal. The conversation which he, witness, had with Souza was at the top of the hill. Souza did not question him as to why he had not gone on duty, but did say that the vehicle was not authorised to go out.

Pereira said that he did not ask for a lift. On many occasions, drivers would take E. U. men to their posts. Sometimes they would run down on special trips to take a man on duty, with permission of the Inspector or Sergeant.

Hearing was adjourned till 9.45 a.m. today when the Court and jury will visit the scene of the accident and will traverse the route taken by Santos while driving the E. U. vehicle.

It is the intention of the Urban Council to exhume the remains of the deceased person buried in graves and contained in urns deposited on NORTHERN Hill, and to re-bury them in a new cemetery (Kowloon Cemetery) at Kowloon.

Before The Footlights

Cheerful news comes from the Stage Club and the European "Y" ADC who, between them will have three shows running between early March and late April.

The first will be the Ian Hay-Stephen King Hall comedy "The Middle Watch." This has all the qualifications of a good comedy. It contains a definite story told in humorous lines which laugh all way to prove that love conquers over all and this time, the British Navy!

Nan and Jim Mordie fill two of the five star roles sharing with Joan Harmon-Flaher, Alice Jolton and Arnold Graham. Bob Leigh as Marine Ogg is an excellent choice. Phyllis Kirby, a baby star in the old days of the "Y" Pantomimes, should not and the footlights strange. Completing the cast are: Freddie Clemon, Peter Pacific, Audrey Lovegreen, Harry Moody and others.

"Whodunit"

On the production floor of the Stage Club is being assembled J. B. Priestley's intellectual thriller, "Dangerous Corner" with Clifford Davies as the maestro. The drama possesses a fascinating appeal with its typically Priestley technique in the treatment of the "whodunit" suspense. The cast promises much with Reinaldo Oblitas and Phillipa Cumber in the leads, with supports by Sylvia Small, Dorothy Revie (her first "big part"), Margaret Oblitas (yet unseen) and Peter Gregory among others. The curtain rises on the first performance around Easter.

Yet in the paper stage, J. Hartley Manners' "Peg 'O' My Heart" is the "Y" ADC's next venture which is expected with the first air of Spring.

Moile Terry equipped with the art learned in last summer's quelling one-act plays should feel confident in the difficult part of "Peg"—"Kimberley"

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Seven Years Hard For Robbing Hikers

"The crime with which you have been found guilty is a very serious one indeed. Crimes like this, where people set out on picnic parties and are attacked by robbers must be dealt with severely and stamped out."

These remarks were made yesterday by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), when he sentenced Chan On, Wan Kam-chai and Cheung Ping-kwong to seven years' hard labour and 15 strokes of the cane, respectively.

The accused, together with another not in custody, were found guilty by a jury on a charge of having robbed Miss Ramona Maher, an 18-year-old Portuguese girl, of a wrist watch. The incident took place on the morning of Nov. 23, 1947, when a party of three adults and four children were picnicking on the hillside near the Ming Yuen Reservoir.

At about 11.20 a.m. four Chinese males, who had been walking about in the neighbourhood, came up to the picnic party.



500 D.P. Chinese To Sail Today

Carrying over 500 displaced Chinese destined for Singapore and other points in Southeast Asia, the International Refugee Organisation's repatriation vessel s.s. "Hui Lee" will leave Hong Kong today en route from Foochow.

Today's departure of displaced Chinese brings the total number of repatriates from China to Singapore and Malaya to 16,000. With this latest movement, the majority will have been repatriated to their original homes. Only a few remain to be repatriated during next month; it was disclosed yesterday by Mr. T. D. Sherrard, Acting Director, PCIRO, Hong Kong Branch Office.

Forty displaced Chinese arrived from Canton yesterday to join the vessel which also brought to Hong Kong Mr. Edwin McDermott, an IRO official. He went to Foochow sometime ago to co-operate with the Foochow office of the IRO in arranging the present shipment and escorting the vessel to Hong Kong.

The 500-odd displaced persons have been carefully screened. On its way to Singapore, the vessel will stop at Hoihow to take on an additional 300 displaced Chinese there. Mr. John Fitz-Randolph, of the Canton Sub-Office of IRO, is already in Hoihow making the necessary arrangements. He will escort the vessel to Singapore.

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Exhibition Of Painting

A private showing of artistic works and calligraphy by Mr. Kim-Shek Kan was given last evening in the lounge of the St. Francis Hotel in aid of the General Hospital of the Poor in Canton.

The exhibition, which from to-day will be open to the public until March 1, is made up of 100 paintings of oil, water, and ink, and includes work by Mr. Kan, a well-known Chinese artistic circles as a painter and collector. He has travelled to most cities and areas of the country in this connection and has made a lifelong study of Chinese art and literature. All the works on view at the showing have been contributed by Mr. Kan with a view to collecting funds for the hospital.

The Belgian Government have agreed in principle to extend to British subjects, who suffered loss or damage to property in Belgium, the benefits accruing to Belgians under Belgian legislation governing compensation for war damage. Residents in Hong Kong who wish to register claims are asked to notify the Colonial Secretary as soon as possible who will advise them on the procedure to be followed.

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. Henry Bollerond, Merchant, Foreign Y.M.C.A. to Miss Helen Skvorzov, 25 Kadorie Avenue, has been announced.

Among passengers arriving in the Colony on Wednesday by C.P.A. from Rangoon and Bangkok were Mr. C. D. Britton, from Manila, Messrs. Francisco Way, Jose Chong Lu, Wong Law and Au Fung; from Bangkok, Messrs. Chan Bark Deng and Mrs. Pratlin; from Singapore en route to Manila, Mr. E. J. Johnson and Miss Maria Dale.

"Y's" MEN'S CLUB MEETING

A year of satisfactory progress, marked by an increase of membership and regular meetings, was reported at the annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Y's Men's Club, held on the premises of the Chinese Calabash Club yesterday evening.

The outgoing President, Mr. H. S. Pung, said on the social service side they had established two Girls Club (one in Hong Kong and one in Kowloon) which had proved to be very popular.

The following officials were elected for the ensuing year:—District Governor: Mr. Ho Shau-ke, District: Mr. Lam Chik-sun, Vice-President: Mr. T. Y. Li, 2nd Vice-President: Mr. W. W. Hsu, Hon. Treasurer: W. Y. Wei, Hon. Secretary: Y. P. Wai, Directors: Messrs. Wong Kam-yuk, W. Weinberger, Frank Kwok, Y. O. Lee, Albert Yee and K. S. Fung (ex officio).

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Committed to the next Criminal Session by Mr. d'Almada at Central Magistrate yesterday were Ip Yee, 32, Wan Ming, 26 and Wan Kwai-to, 35, all of no fixed abode, when they appeared charged with conspiracy to rob and possession of a revolver and five rounds of ammunition.

All defendants pleaded not guilty to the charges.

C. I. D. G. McPherson said that on Jan. 26 acting on information, he led a party of detectives to No. 4 Leighton Hill Road.

The three defendants approached the house with the first and second defendants carrying vegetables.

First defendant dashed up the stairs chased by Inspector McPherson and when he reached the second floor landing the defendant was already in the custody of the police.

First defendant was alleged to have dropped the vegetables and a loaded revolver on the 2nd floor landing.

Second and third defendants were arrested as they entered the building.

The Guest Speaker at the meeting of the I. C. I. this evening will be K. Baker, Esq. and his subject "Labour Problems of Hong Kong". The I. C. I. meet at Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, Hong Kong at 8.30 and this evening's meeting is one of a series of various aspects of life in Hong Kong. An invitation is extended to all interested.

Manila, Feb. 26. A Philippine Air Force C-47 crashed after taking off at Lipa air base in Batangas Province yesterday, killing three of the six men aboard and seriously injuring two. One escaped with minor injuries.—United Press.

A confiscation order for \$13,900 worth of peso gold coins and estreating of \$50 bail was made by Mr. Latimer at Kowloon Magistrate yesterday, when Ng Mei-hai, 34, married woman, charged with illegally importing gold, failed to appear in court.

Ng, arrested by a Chinese female Revenue Officer at the KCR Station at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, had tied around her 997 1-peso gold coins and three 50-peso gold pieces.

Two other confiscation orders for C\$39,000,000 & C\$900,000 were also made by Mr. Latimer when Lee Wing-in, 30, merchant and a stranger in the colony, of the Luk Kwok Hotel, Gloucester Road and Wong Yan-wing, 37, tailor of Hankow, appeared in Court charged with breach of Defence Finance Regulations.

CNC\$39,000,000

Lee had CNC\$39,000,000 hidden in a false bottom in a bag and \$5,000,000, the amount permitted, on his person. When asked by the Revenue Officer at Kai Tak Airport, during a routine search on Feb. 25, Lee told he had nothing to declare.

Wong, who said he came down here with three friends for a sight-seeing tour, told the Court that he acted as "treasurer" for his friends and kept all their money together on him. He had them in his four pockets and there was no attempt to hide the notes, as he did not know it was illegal to bring notes into Hong Kong.

RO D. Knox said he spoke to defendant in Mandarin at the I. & E. Kowloon Office and defendant did not tell him about what he had said in court.

"Afraid"

Mr. Latimer remarked: "Perhaps he was afraid. You know, how they regard the officials in China."

To verify defendant's statement in the box, Mr. Latimer called in his friends and executed a "mathematical experiment". The sums claimed by each witness were added up and the excess carried by defendant was confiscated. The three witnesses claimed altogether C\$10,000,000, which left \$5,900,000 as belonging to Wong, making an excess of \$900,000.

The confiscated notes were handed over to the I. & E. for transfer to the Bank of China.

Alleged "Third," Degree

An allegation that he was so badly beaten up by the police while being interrogated that he became unconscious was made by Heung Kau, 19, of no fixed abode at Central Magistrate yesterday.

Heung was charged with larceny from the person and an alternative charge of receiving. The first charge was dismissed but a conviction registered on the charge of receiving and Heung was sentenced by Mr. F.X. d'Almada to nine months' hard labour and recommended for banishment.

Charged together with Heung was Wong Wu, 18, who, through lack of evidence, was discharged.

S.I. Coles said that on the evening of Feb. 23, Sydney Slade, an American, was in the New York Cafe. When he returned to the Seamen's Institute he discovered that he had lost a set of Parker 51 fountain pen and pencil, valued at US\$150.

He immediately made a report to the police and from investigations by a Chinese detective, the pens were later traced to No. 67 Lockhart Road 2nd floor, where defendant was arrested. A third man who attempted to escape by climbing down the drain pipe, fell and suffered a broken back. He was now in hospital.

Tore The P.C.'s Tunic

For obstructing the Police, assault and malicious damage, Kong Hing, 27-year-old married woman, was fined \$100 or three weeks by Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central Magistrate yesterday.

Kong was conversing with prisoners in the remand cells and, when asked by a constable to move on, resisted. In the ensuing struggle she was said to have torn the constable's tunic.

Mr. d'Almada said he agreed with the Police that a serious view should be taken of this offence as it was flouting a lawful order—a thing which they would not have dared during the Japanese occupation. They would have been scared of their necks.

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12.15 p.m.—Buddhist Catholic Prayers by the Rev Father J. Foley S.J.
12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.35 p.m.—H.B.C. Transcription Service: George Melachrino & His Orch.

1.02 p.m.—Negro Spirituals.
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—Popular Classics.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00 p.m.—Studio: Children's Half Hour.
6.30 p.m.—Studio: Portuguese Half Hour.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay: World and Home News.
7.15 p.m.—Studio: "You asked for it" Variety Request Programme presented by Lynn Brown.

8.15 p.m.—Light Orchestra Favorites.
8.30 p.m.—Recital by Arthur Rubinstein (Piano) & Yehudi Menuhin (Viola).
9.00 p.m.—London Relay: "News."
9.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
9.15 p.m.—H.B.C. Transcription Service: "The Brass Trust."
10.00 p.m.—Dilemma: Sylvia, Ballet... London: Theatrical Orchestra.
10.10 p.m.—President: "The Boatmen" Acts 3 and 4 with Lucia Allard, Benjamin Glaz, Afro Polka and other principals, Opera and Orchestral of the South Island. Music conducted by Herbert Serravallo.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

Found Curious Hidden From Japs

An array of brass curios, some of them old pieces, was on display at Central Magistrate yesterday.

They were dug up by workmen at 108 the Peak, in the course of repairs to the premises, and were apparently hidden in the ground by the pre-war occupants. The occasion was the appearance before Mr. F.X. d'Almada of Lo Yuet (26) carpenter, and five odd-job earth-coolies on a charge of larceny by finding.

Det. Inspector Cochrane, prosecuting, told the Court that on Feb. 22, Lo Yuet was found in possession of some of the brass articles. He readily admitted where they came from, and took the Police to the other accused who likewise at once admitted they found them in the course of digging at 108 the Peak. They all pleaded ignorance of the law. Inspector Cochrane said he was not pressing the charge as the men all bore fairly good character, and he thought a caution would suffice.

All the accused were discharged on their signing a bond of \$25 each to be of good behaviour for twelve months.

The articles were ordered to be kept in Police custody pending claim by the owner.

Raid Led To Multiple Charges

Police raids on opium dens on the Island led to the appearance before Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central Magistrate yesterday of Chan Yu (52) on the multiple charge of keeping an opium and heroin den and returning from life banishment.

Chan had set up his joint in the front portion of 107 Queen's Road East, 1st floor, only two days earlier, said Inspector Moran, prosecuting. He had three previous convictions for the same offence.

Sentence totalling 24 months, to be followed by re-banishment was ordered.

Nine smokers found on the premises were each fined \$25, and four who failed to appear had their bail of \$30 each estreated.

Another opium den-keeper, Cheung Lam, operating at 89, Queen's Road East, 2nd floor, was fined \$800 or four months. Twenty smokers found on the premises were each fined \$25, and two absent ones had their bail of \$30 each estreated.

CLEAR CASE OF SMUGGLING

Chan Hok-ming (38) a Shanghai Chinese, was fined \$100 by Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central Magistrate yesterday, for attempting to smuggle 115 radio valves out of the Colony on Feb. 25. The radio valves were ordered to be confiscated.

Revenue Officer Redman, prosecuting, told the Court that accused had the radio valves in the false bottom of a suitcase and also in a special girdle. He was apprehended as he was boarding the s.s. "Kwei Hol" for Canton at 10 p.m. on Feb. 25.

Chan's plea for a return of the goods was refused, the Magistrate remarking it was a clear case of smuggling.

AN OLD LAG

Twenty-four months in prison, followed by banishment, was passed on Cheung Sun-chuen (80) by Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central Magistrate yesterday, for house-breaking and return from banishment.

Inspector Brownrigg, prosecuting, told the Court Cheung was a life banished. On Feb. 27 he broke into 188 Shaukiwan Road, 2nd floor, and stole a radio set and various articles to a value of about \$300.

Court Receiver's Accounts Challenged

Discrepancies in the accounts compiled by the Court Receiver, John T. C. Wong, auditor, witness for the Prosecution, were brought out by Wong Yan-wing, certified auditor, in his evidence for the defence, when the ninth hearing of the case against Leung Ngai-chi, headmaster of the Yeung Tak Middle School, and Leung Mong, employed at the school, was heard before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon Magistrate yesterday.

Mr. Wong said that the accounts were "not compiled in the right principle and manner." He produced his own compilation, covering the period from the beginning of the school to the time when the accounts were turned over to the Court Receiver.

He arranged them in three stages and dealt with the preparatory stage which included all accounts from book records and information obtained from the first defendant.

In his evidence, witness pointed out some "arithmetical errors" in the Receiver's compilation.

First defendant, charged with conspiring with second defendant to falsify the accounts with intent to defraud Mau Kam-on, the co-proprietor of the school and additionally with six alleged larcenies of school funds, said under cross-examination by Defence Counsel, Mr. P.J. Griffiths, that he had \$3,000 when he started the school. He had only \$1,000 when the whole thing ended.

Defendant denied using any of the school's money for his personal use and added he did not know whether the school made a profit or loss.

Mr. Clifford, Crown Counsel, continuing his cross-examination for the fourth day, went into details of the school accounts yesterday.

Hearing was adjourned to March 3 at 10 a.m.

H.K.V.D.C. ORDERS

Orders by Colonel L. T. H. C.B.R. Commander, H.K.V.D. Corps. Order No. 8/48 dated Feb. 26, 1948.

Information Required. Anyone knowing the present address of 540 Pte. Joaillio is asked to communicate with the Adjutant.

Part 2 Orders. Order No. 8/48.

Strengthening 2nd Pte. Leung Wing Yan, No. 4 Company, w.e.f. 14.2.48; 455 Pte. Gutierrez, C.I., Corps H.Q., w.e.f. 18.2.48; 2949 Sam. Wong Kam Piu, Corps Signal, w.e.f. 18.2.48; 5785 L/Cpl. Pinnau, C.I., No. 5 Company, w.e.f. 11.2.48; 5000 Pte. Tan Diq, Field Ambulance, w.e.f. 22.2.48.

(Sd.) G. H. CALVERT, Captain, D. Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

Canton, Feb. 26

Major-General Hsieh Chinan said today that Nationalist forces had killed or captured 11,000 "bandits" in South China in the last two months.

He said there are 30,000 "bandits" in Kwangtung province alone with another 6,000 in adjoining Kwangsi.—Associated Press.

Reminders

Today
Humphreys, Estate & Finance, Co. Ltd., Annual Meeting, H.K. Hotel, 12 noon.
Queen's College Annual Sports, Caroline Hill, starting at 1.30 p.m.

Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, talk on "Metallurgy" by Mr. P.B. Parks, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Tue H meeting, talk on "Labour Problems of Hong Kong" by Mr. K. Baker, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Rd., 8.30 p.m.

Light Orchestra recital, 27B, Robinson Rd., 7 p.m.
Scottish Dancing, "European YMCA, 6 p.m.

Official Opening, Art Exhibition by Lady Grantham, St. Francis Hotel Lounge, 11 a.m.

Coming Events TOMORROW
Leap Year Dance, Kowloon Cricket Club, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Entrée for Colony Open Tennis Championships close 5 p.m.

Chinese New Year Dinner Party, St. John's Ambulance Brigade, at Brigade Headquarters, Tai Hang Rd., 7 p.m.

SUNDAY
Concert of Recorded Music, Tse H Club, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Rd., 8.30 p.m.

Case Against Mrs. Everett Withdrawn

Mrs. L. Everett, of Railway Terrace, Chatham Road, appeared at Kowloon Magistrate yesterday charged with driving without due care and attention in Salisbury Road.

The Prosecuting Officer said that there were certain doubts with regard to the actual circumstances, and withdrew the charge.

He said that a rickshaw suddenly came out of a lane and defendant, after avoiding it, stopped her car. The rickshaw came from behind and hit the car's rear.

Wrong Knob

Mr. Albert Jorge Ho, of No. 11, Humphrey's Avenue, had to pay \$10 for an unfortunate mis-switching of knobs.

Mr. Ho said that it was raining and his windscreen was hazy as he came out of the Peninsula Car Park. He switched on the "washer" but turned off the wrong switch later.

"It's most unfortunate, but that'll cost you \$10," Mr. Latimer remarked, when he convicted defendant for failing to have his front light on.

Japan Barters With India

Officials of the Boekiho, Japanese Government's Board of Trade, today confirmed the reports of a barter agreement between India and Japan whereby Japan will export 100,000 spinning spindles in exchange for 50,000 tons of Indian coal.

They said they now await a reply from India regarding the allocation of the spindles to three designated Japanese manufacturers.

Japan originally requested pig iron, but upon India's refusal, accepted the offer of coal instead. Officials added it will require approximately eleven months to manufacture and ship spindles to India.—Reuter.

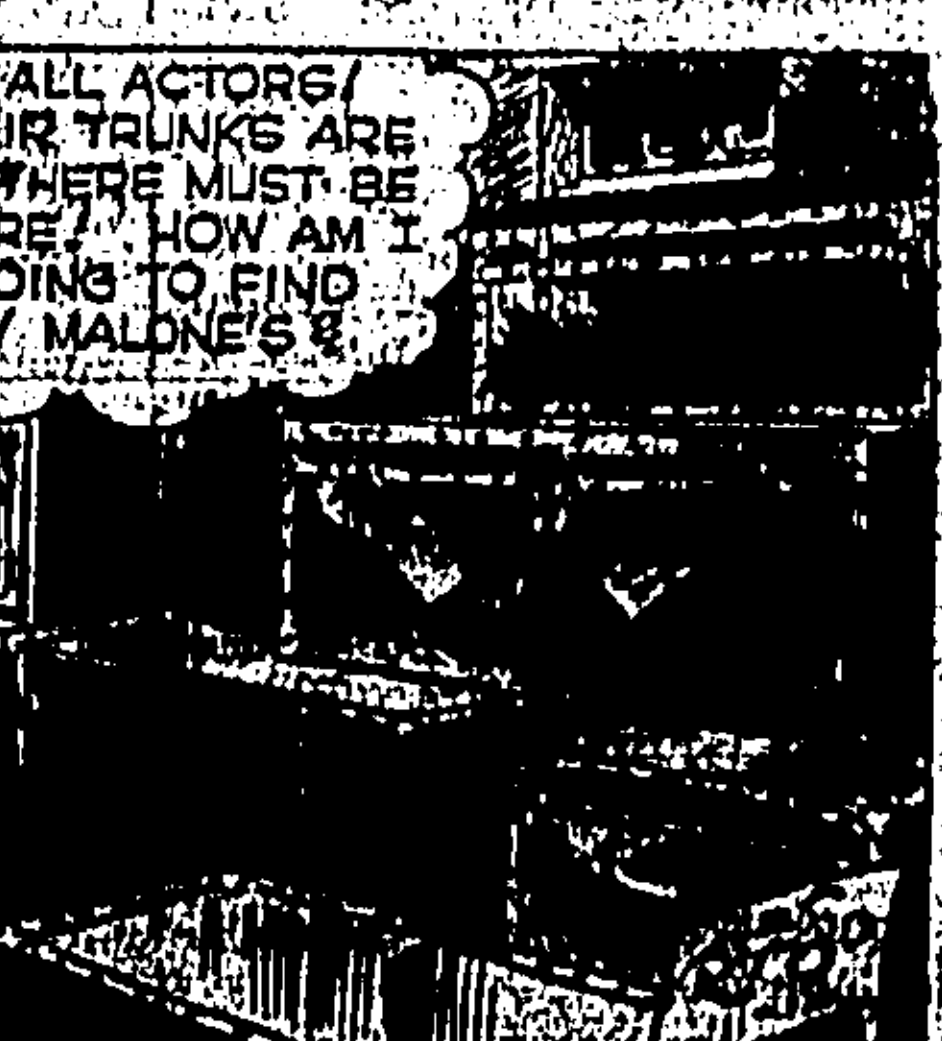
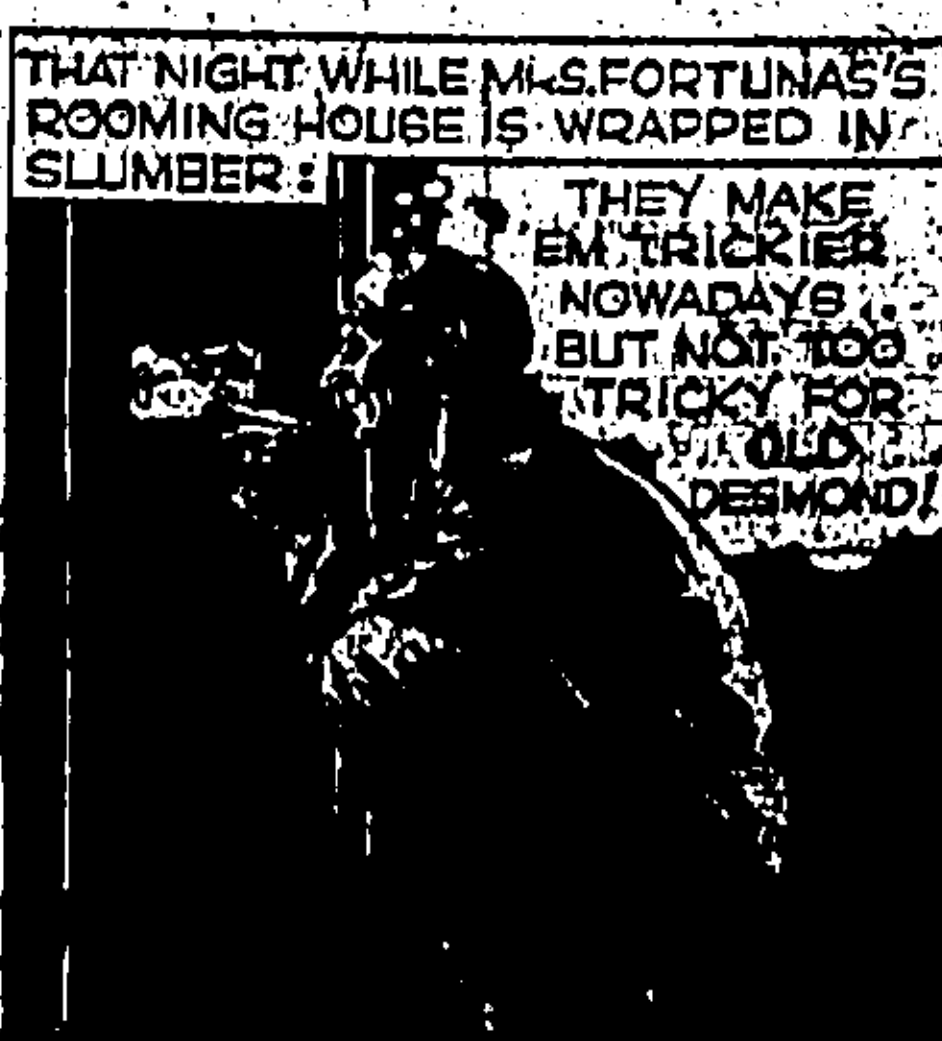
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section will be Race No. 10 and
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ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
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General Meeting of the Share-
holders of the Corporation will be
held at the Head Office of the
Corporation, 1 Queen's Road
Central, Hongkong, on Friday
the 6th day of March, 1948, at
11.30 a.m. for the purpose of
receiving and considering the
reports of the Directors and of
the Auditors and the Profit and
Loss Account and Balance
Sheet for the year ended 31st
December, 1947, and for the
election of Directors and the
appointment of Auditors.

The Register of Shares of
the Corporation will be closed
from Friday, the 20th February
to Friday the 6th March, 1948
(both days inclusive) during
which period no transfer of
shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board.

A. MORSE,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 6th Feb., 1948.

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NOTICE is hereby given
that the Ordinary Yearly Meet-
ing of Shareholders will be
held at the Hong Kong Hotel,
Hong Kong, on Friday, 27th
February, 1948, at 12.00 NOON,
for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors, to-
gether with a Statement of Ac-
counts for the Year ended
31st December, 1947, and for
the election of Directors and
the appointment of Auditors.

And NOTICE is further
hereby given that the Register
and Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
the 14th to the 27th February,
1948, both days inclusive, dur-
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of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS &
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General Managers

Hongkong, 6th February, 1948.

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NOTICE is hereby given that
the Forty-sixth Ordinary Yearly
Meeting of the Members of this
Company will be held at the
Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Wed-
nesday, the 17th day of March,
1948, at Noon to receive the
Report of the Board of Direc-
tors and Statement of Accounts
for the year ended 31st Decem-
ber, 1947, to elect Directors and
to appoint Auditors.

Notice is also given that the
Transfer Books of the Company
will be closed from the 4th
March, 1948, to the 17th March,
1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the
Board of Directors,

Hong Kong, 26th Feb., 1948.
C. E. TERRY,
Manager & Secretary.

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& Son, Victoria in the
Colon of Hongkong, mer-
chant, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Court has by virtue of
Section 58 of the Probates Or-
dinance, 1897, made an Order
limiting the time for creditors
and others to send in their
claims against the above estate
to the 25th March, 1948.

All creditors and others are
accordingly hereby required to
send their claims to the under-
signed on or before that date.

Dated the 24th day of Feb-
ruary, 1948.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the thirty-ninth Ordinary
General Meeting of the Com-
pany will be held at the Offices of
Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd.,
3rd floor, Hong Kong Bank
Building, on Friday, the 19th
March, 1948, at 11 a.m. for the
purpose of receiving the Re-
port and Statement of Accounts
for the year ended 31st Decem-
ber, 1947.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN
that the Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
the 6th March, 1948 to the 19th
March, 1948 both days inclu-
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DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
25th February, 1948.

NOTICE

Marconi (China) Limited

It is hereby notified that the
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of Messrs. Marconi (China)
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Campbell Hunter Mellon have
been withdrawn as from 1st
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graves and contained in urns
deposited on N.K.L.L. 3611,
Diamond Hill, and to rebury
them in New Kowloon Cemetery
No. 8 (Urn Cemetery) at
Diamond Hill on the expiry of
14 days from the date of
publication of this notice.

T. S. D. WHITLEY,
Secretary, Urban Council.
Hongkong, 25th Feb., 1948.

POLICE NOTICE

Owing to repairs being
necessary, Stanley Police
Station has temporarily been
removed, until further notice,
to the Godown on the seaward
side of Stanley Village Road,
opposite St. Stephen's College.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE
20th February, 1948.

NOTICE

The Belgian Government
have agreed in principle to
extend to British subjects,
who suffered loss or damage to
property in Belgium, the bene-
fits accruing to Belgians under
Belgian legislation governing
compensation for war damage.
Residents in Hong Kong who
wish to register claims are
asked to notify the Colonial
Secretary as soon as possible
who will advise them on the
procedure to be followed.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that
MR. C. K. YUAN
has this date resigned from
his post as Manager.

The Casual vacancy is here-
by taken up by

MR. THOMAS W. M. HO
our Sub-Manager.

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OFFICIAL NOTICE

Proposal to change a
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We, Cambay Prince Steam-
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Queen's Road Central, Hong
Kong, hereby give notice that
in consequence of change of
ownership of the vessel, we
have applied to the Minister of
Transport, under Section 47 of
the Merchant Shipping Act,
1894, in respect of the British
ship "Combar" of Hong Kong
Registry Official No. 131,537
Gross tonnage 593.91 tons,
Register tonnage 227.01 tons,
formerly owned by Tjong Ann
Steamship Company Limited of
No. 22 Amoy Street, Singapore,
for permission to change her
name to "San David" and to
have her registered in the new
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NOTICE

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ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING

Owing to unforeseen circum-
stances the meeting is postponed
to Tuesday, 9th March 1948 at
5.30 p.m. at the Y. W. C. A.
Rutton Building, Duddell Street.

Agenda:— To receive reports
and accounts for
the past year.

To review and, if
thought fit, re-
vise the constitu-
tion and policy
of the Associa-
tion.

To elect officers.
T. F. WU,
Hon. Secretary.

Colonel Reynolds Off Today

Among officers leaving the
Colony on the troopship
"Devonshire" will be Lt. Col.
M. C. D. L. Reynolds, O.B.E.,
GSO 1, HQ Land Forces. He
is leaving the Colony to attend
the Joint Services Staff
College in England.

Lt. Col. Reynolds arrived in
Hong Kong in June 1946, but
this was not his first visit to
the Far East as before the war
he was Adjutant of the Shang-
hai Volunteer Defence Corps.

He is a familiar figure
throughout the Colony both
officially and for his keen and
energetic interest in sport. As
chairman of the Army Sports
Board, Col. Reynolds has been
responsible for many of the
excellent facilities enjoyed by
troops here, and has served the
Colony for some time as a
Vice-President of the Hong
Football Association. He is
also well known as a referee in
Services boxing tournaments
and has been a keen, if un-
lucky, competitor in Colony
and Army tennis championship
matches.

As Chairman of the Hong
Kong Volunteer Defence Corps
Reconstitution Committee he
has been responsible for much
of the planning and organiza-
tion upon which the Defence
Corps of the future will be
built.

Col. Reynolds' successor is
to be Lt. Col. N. T. Alexander,
O.B.E., who has been appointed
but is not expected to arrive
from England for some little
time.

Rationing In S'hai

Shanghai, Feb. 26.
The new rationing scheme
is expected to become operative
early in March or April, accord-
ing to a Ministry of Food
statement last night.

The scale of rations will
apply to all persons regardless
of age or sex in five of the
major cities in the country.
The prices for rationed goods
will be revised monthly, accord-
ing to the ruling prices in
each district.

The rationing programme
will be administered in each
city by the Mayor, representa-
tives of the Ministry of Food
and the Executive Yuan Com-
mittee for the disposal of
American relief supplies.

The Government stipulated
that representatives of the
United States Government
China Relief Group will be al-
lowed to investigate the sale of
relief supplies to China any
time they wish.—Reuter.

GUARDSMEN EVICTED

London, Feb. 26.
The Windsor County Court
has granted the War Office
possession of married quarters
in the barracks at Windsor
from four men, now demobilised
from the Guards.

It was stated that the accom-
modation was urgently needed
for the families of serving sol-
diers coming back from Fales-
tine.

All defendants agreed that
they were not entitled to stay
on in barracks after de-
mobilisation. In each case, an
order for possession in 28 days
was given.—Reuter.



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The Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m.
and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st
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YAGSUN

"A NEW PEARL HARBOUR" Startling Charge By A State Governor Communist Agents In Hawaii

Quincy, Mass., Feb. 26.
Lieut.-Governor Arthur W. Coolidge of Massachusetts said today that Russian agents are infiltrating into Hawaii to plot a "new surprise attack on Pearl Harbour as devastating as the 1941 blow delivered by the Japanese."

Coolidge said he based his charge on "documentary evidence received from Governor Ingram M. Stainback of Hawaii." He said the evidence was a "set of instructions issued by the Communist Party to its agents" in Hawaii.

In Honolulu, Stainback made public a letter and other documents he sent to Coolidge but refused to comment on the Massachusetts politician's statement. Stainback said the materials were sent at Coolidge's request.

Stainback's letter said, "Communism has made great headway in territory, particularly in our labour organizations. The International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, which controls labour in the production of sugar and pineapple and the Marine transportation system, are dominated by the Communists."

Coolidge told a state meeting of the American Veterans of World War

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THING!—YOU'LL
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THE HOLIDAY SCAMP
WHEN YOU LEAST
EXPECT IT!

GO AWAY, YOU ROTTEN
I WON'T BE BLACKMAILED
ANY LONGER!

CLASH IN MARSEILLES

Marseilles, Feb. 25.
A woman was injured and
six persons arrested after a
clash here tonight between
police and 1,000 strikers
from the petrol refineries.

The police intervened
when the strikers, now idle
for three days, held a
public meeting despite an
official ban.

The workers are demand-
ing more pay.—Reuter.

Mr. Bevin Annoyed

London, Feb. 25.
The Foreign Secretary,
Mr. Ernest Bevin, was
annoyed in the House of
Commons today with the
British Ambassador to
Japan, Sir Alvary Gas-
coigne.

When an Opposition Member,
Mr. William Teeling, who was
recently in Japan, urged that
the Ambassador should be kept
better informed of news affecting
Japan, Mr. Bevin declared with
some feeling: "The Ambassador
is employed by the Foreign
Office."

"I think he should have told
me. I will take it up with him
quite seriously why he should
complain to Members of Parlia-
ment before telling me he is in
difficulty."

Mr. Teeling said that in no
circumstances had the British
Embassy put the question for-
ward as a complaint.

While a British Parliament de-
legation, of which he was a
member, was in Tokyo, a most
important piece of information
appeared in the Chicago News-
papers, he said.

The British Embassy was quite
unable to obtain a copy whereas
the Supreme Commander, Allied
Powers, General Douglas Mac-
Arthur, had already received it
by wire from Washington.

Mr. Teeling suggested that
that sort of thing made it very
difficult sometimes for the Am-
bassador to carry out his func-
tions.—Reuter.

WAITING FOR THEIR TURN

London, Feb. 26.
Britain is still holding 76
German field marshals, gen-
erals and admirals as prisoners
of war. Secretary for War
Emanuel Shinwell told the
House of Commons today.

Replying to questions, Shin-
well said they will be repatriated
"when their turn comes
around."—Associated Press.

CUSTOMS UNION FOR EUROPE?

Rome, Feb. 25.
Nine nations have begun talks
on a European customs union in
Rome today.

They are represented on the
Preparatory Committee of the
International Study Group set up
by the 16 "Marshall Plan" na-
tions at the Paris Conference
last year.—Reuter.

India To Have A President

New Delhi, Feb. 26.
India's Draft Constitu-
tion published today
leaves undecided the Do-
minion's future relation-
ship within the British
Commonwealth.

A footnote to the preamble
which begins: "We, the People
of India having solemnly re-
solved to constitute India into
a sovereign Democratic Re-
public," states that "The ques-
tion of relationship between
this Democratic Republic and
the British Commonwealth of
Nations remains to be decided
subsequently."

The draft provides for a
President of India and a Vice-
President, each elected for five
years by an electoral College
of Members of both Houses of
Parliament and elected mem-
bers from the State legislature.

The President would be eligi-
ble for re-election only once
and would be helped by a
Council of Ministers.

The President would appoint
the Premier and other minis-
ters on his advice. A Parlia-
ment of two Houses known as
the Council of States and the
House of the People is propos-
ed, the Council with 250 mem-
bers, 15 nominated by the Pre-
sident and the remainder re-
presenting the States.

Election to the lower House
would be by adult suffrage
and all parliamentary business
would be conducted in Hindi or
English.

The Constitution promises
justice, social, economic and
political, liberty of thought,
expression, belief, faith and
worship and equality of status
and opportunity.

"Untouchability" is to be
abolished and all titles are for-
bidden.

Racial, religious, caste or
sex discrimination is prohibi-
ted as also are forced labour
and employment of children
under 14 in factories or mines.

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HARBOUR TUNNEL
DELAY

Under a programme doubtless dignified with the description Long Term Planning the scheme for constructing a cross-harbour tunnel is apparently to be postponed for at least twelve years. Which appears to mean that the buck is being passed to the heirs and successors of the present incumbents in office, and that a nice large pigeonhole has been selected for safe storage.

About this there is, of course, nothing which could be regarded as untypical. It is a long job and a heavy job and nobody particularly wants the handling of it. Whether that is altogether satisfactory, except maybe to the operating ferry companies, is quite another matter. Certainly it will not assure Mr. Citizen, who paid serious attention to the press interview given by His Excellency Sir Alexander Grantham in Nanking last year, that there is any real intention by Government to proceed with this project however desirable, and however much it might justify, be regarded as warranting energetic pursuit.

That the scheme is practical and a sound economic proposition has been demonstrated by an offer by certain interests in the Colony to float a company and undertake the construction in return for a concession to collect the tolls for a period of years. That it is needed hardly calls for supporting evidence.

That there are difficulties—about siting, about guarantees that the materials will be available when required—must be recognised. The main obstacle, however, appears to be that the tunnel scheme is inevitably linked in the Government's mind with the resumption by the civil authorities of the site of the Royal Naval Dockyard, regarding which no date can be set, and about which there appears to be little optimism in official quarters.

For the tunnel advocates this has little meaning. On the contrary, it can reasonably be urged that the depth of pessimism should provide the degree of drive and initiative in search for an alternative routing of the tunnel which would leave the Naval Yard out of consideration.

There is, in fact, small excuse for postponement. The project is one which eventually will pay for itself: the factor of cost is hardly material. The preliminary work will take up time not to be calculated in anything less than years, and the actual construction would probably take two years.

These are things that should be looked into now, not twelve years hence.

France's Fight

In the short period which has elapsed since the devaluation of the franc, prices in France have continued to rise. The hope with which devaluation in so contentious a form was effected was that the internal price-level would remain stable while France would get more for her exports.

Unhappily, attempts to get the best of both worlds are seldom successful: and the treatment of symptoms is no substitute for eradication of the causes of the disease. It is true that inflation in France did not start with devaluation, but it has continued even in commodities which, being home-produced, devaluation might not have affected.

Naturally alarmed by the rise in prices which, if unchecked, would sabotage their courageous attempts to induce national recovery, the French Government have produced a Bill to deal with another symptom.

They propose to fix prices and apply extremely severe penalties to those who charge more. The difficulty, as we all know, is to enforce Draconian legislation of this kind, particularly at a time

FALL OF MALAYA

PERCIVAL DESPATCH
ANALYSED
By Harold Guard

London, Feb. 26. The curtain dropped on the surrender scene in the tragedy of Singapore on February 15, 1942 was raised today by Lieut. Gen. Arthur Percival with the publication of his official despatches as an epitome intended to vindicate the traduced defenders of Malaya.

The despatches were first submitted in April 1946. They were referred to the governments of Australia and India, checked and re-checked by various Ministries concerned and the delay in their publication caused controversy in Parliament and the British press reminiscent of the inquest on Gallipoli after the First World War.

The Malaya Campaign, it would appear, has become the Gallipoli of the Second World War with Winston Churchill once more named as the nigger in the woodpile.

True Facts

"Since my return to England from Japanese captivity it has been my constant endeavour to ensure that, in fairness to those who fought in Malaya, the true facts of the story should be told. I gave up some of my leave to work on my despatch which was finished and handed in to the War Office in April 1946. Only with its publication will the clouds of my mystery, which have for so long shrouded the Malaya Campaign, be dispersed," Gen. Percival told me in December 1947. The preparation of the despatch, he said, has been influenced by the fact that since the surrender of Singapore "a great deal of literature has appeared on the subject."

"Statements have been made and opinions expressed by writers, many of whom had but a cursory knowledge of Malayan conditions or of factors which influenced decisions.... In fairness to the officers and men who fought in Malaya I ask that those statements, many of them official statements made in this country, may now be corrected," he claims in his despatch.

Ponderous

This ponderous document of 100,000 words leaves no doubt that General Percival knew Malaya and its problems. The first section deals with the period prior to the outbreak of hostilities and all who have analyzed the despatch agree that his appreciation of the situation and his plan of action were beyond criticism. But he treats his subject gently, laying no great emphasis on the difficulties occasioned by the maladjustment of the governmental administrative ma-

100 Years
Ago

(From the files of the
"China Mail")

The Clipper Schooner "Nymph," Captain Wilson, arrived from Woon-sung yesterday morning, having made an unprecedentedly quick voyage (the voyage which speed comes next to that of the "Nymph" was the "Lapwing" of 17 days). She left this on the night of the 11th instant, and arrived at Woon-sung on the 15th, making the passage up in four days and a few hours. She performed the whole voyage in 15 days, remaining the necessary time at Woon-sung for the transaction of business.

Our American friends have much reason to be proud of the fact that Clipper American ships are now commanding freights to England 50 per cent above those which are given (with one exception, we believe) to English vessels. In the case of the "Nymph," a smaller craft of Clipper vessels and in Ocean-going steamers, the Trans-Atlantic builders have not yet reached us; we must admit, however, they have gone ahead of us in the larger class of merchantmen.

John Bull is naturally slow; but now that he has taken off his shoulders the incubus of the Navigation Laws, and that he finds he has to compete with the energetic and go-ahead men of the West, and especially when he sees the profits which he has looked upon as peculiarly his own taken from him, he will not fail to arouse himself, and whenever he does so he is found hard to beat.

To Let:—The Bungalow, second east from the Union Chapel, now in the occupation of Captain Fisher, R.A.

when national discipline is far from being pre-eminent. If the new measure catches food speculators, as it may, that is all to the good; but it is to be feared that the real trouble in France is this kind, particularly at a time

Official despatches compiled by Lieut. Gen. A. E. Percival are intended as a challenge to the British War Cabinet's appraisal of the Malaya Campaign, which terminated with the surrender of Singapore on Feb. 15, 1942, condemning the Campaign as "one of the most spectacular disasters to befall British arms."

Harold Guard, who has first-hand knowledge of the Far Eastern War and who reported the Malaya Campaign from the first Japanese landing on December 8, 1941 until the fall of Singapore, herewith reviews the despatches in the light of his own experiences during the campaign.

China and the inter-service jealousies which must have contributed to the final chaos in Malaya.

Another section is devoted to a very detailed narrative of the land operations during the 70 days hostilities, but its precise, military parlance, typical of the scholarly soldier, does not convey the utter weariness and bewilderment of the defenders, gripped and battered, struggling against a powerful enemy holding complete mastery in the air and on the seas around Malaya. The interest and value of this narrative is also largely lost through the War Office declining to reproduce three sketch maps which General Percival had submitted.

No Aid

"The retreat from Mons and the retreat to Dunkirk have been hailed as epics. In the former our Army was able, with the aid of a powerful ally, to turn the tables on the enemy; in the latter our Army was evacuated by the Navy with the loss of all heavy equipment. Each of these retreats lasted approximately three weeks. The retreat in Malaya lasted ten weeks in far more trying conditions. There was no strong ally to help and no Navy to evacuate the force. It has been hailed as a disaster but perhaps the judgment of history will be that all the effort and money expended on the defence of Malaya and the sacrifice and subsequent suffering of those who fought in the Malaya Campaign were not in vain." It is as far as the General goes in his effort to vindicate the Malaya defenders.

On the question of relative strengths the despatch only half-heartedly challenges the War Cabinet's appraisal as voiced by Mr. Winston Churchill.

Mr. Churchill is on record as having told a secret session of Parliament: "There were, according to War Office figures, about 100,000 men gathered on the Island of Singapore by the morning of February 8. On the night of February 8 about 5,000 Japanese made a lodgement on the northwest corner of the Island and were gradually reinforced from other points until perhaps 30,000 men had been landed."

General Percival's despatch claims that the Japanese employed a minimum of 150,000 men and 300 tanks in the Malaya Campaign and that "the total number of officers and men on the British side was a little over 125,000 though the strength in Malaya at any one time was considerably less than this."

An Estimate

Of the landing on Singapore Island General Percival said: "I estimate that there were at the cessation of hostilities a minimum of 100,000 Japanese on Singapore Island or in South Malaya. How many of these had actually crossed to the Island and how many were on the mainland is not known nor is it very material, but there is evidence to show that at least 23,000 crossed on the first day of the attack.... The total of British forces in the Singapore Fortress area at the same time was in the neighbourhood of 35,000.... but probably only about 70,000 of these were armed and equipped."

"In official statements made in this country and published in the world press, figures very different from those have been given. In fairness to the officers and men who fought in Malaya I ask that these statements may now be corrected," General Percival claims.

The despatches explode the tale that the British Command did not anticipate an enemy attack from the North and that

Singapore defences were "all pointing the wrong way."

As far back as May 1938, Percival disclosed, Major Gen. W. G. S. Dobbie, who was G.O.C. Malaya at the time, reported to the War Office: "It is an attack from the northward that I regard as the greatest potential danger.... The jungle is not in most places impassable to infantry."

The tactical appreciation in 1941 was based on this conception and plans were made to occupy South Thailand to circumvent any enemy move in that direction. When hostilities commenced, however, operation of this carefully laid plan was repeatedly postponed, largely for political reasons, until it became too late to make it effective.

The despatches intimate that had this "Operation Matador" been carried out it might well have altered the course of the Malaya Campaign.

The main cause of the British defeat was the land forces having to bear "practically the whole weight of the Japanese attack with little air or naval support," the despatches claim with cold, factual figures which, Percival declares, demonstrate "the lack of readiness of our Empire for war."

Failure To Prepare

"Our shortage in light naval coastal craft and modern aircraft, lack of tanks and lack of training of most of our troops—especially the reinforcements—the lack of experience of modern war of some of our senior commanders and the weakness of our intelligence can be attributed to failure to prepare for war at the proper time," he records in his despatch.

But, throughout this ponderous document, the Malaya commander who led a losing side in the greatest encounter of a brilliant military career, makes no harsh or bitter recriminations and it can reasonably be observed that the lengthy, detailed document is notable chiefly for its omissions. The General has used velvet gloves in his treatment of references to the breakdown of civilian labour as a contributory cause to defeat. The eleven thousand apathy of some sections of the Indian forces, who were undoubtedly influenced by Japanese propaganda is a subject only lightly touched and there is no effort to elucidate the situation in the Australians' northwest sector of Singapore Island where the Japanese effected their landing.

Confusion

General Percival limits his observations to: "There was much confusion and disorganization.... Groups of men becoming detached and lost in the close country. Some made their way back to Singapore Town. The action of these men must be judged in relation to existing conditions. They were not long service soldiers and discipline was not deep-rooted. They had volunteered for service and sent to Malaya to defend the Naval Base. The Naval Base was no longer of any use, but their homeland, Australia, was being threatened.... This is the true picture and should be judged on its merits."

Scrutiny of the despatch prompts the inescapable conclusion that the poor local intelligence and communications frequently prevented the Malaya Command from being kept fully informed of various developments. More than once General Percival even asserts he did not receive orders said to have been issued by the Supreme Commander Southwest Pacific, General Sir Archibald Wavell. There is scarcely any mention of fifth column activity and only scant reference to the disruption in many aspects of the civil administration and the descriptive account of the last days in Singapore is a sample of masterly understatement.

Too Much A
Gentleman

The despatches, throughout, lack the brutal phraseology needed to emphasize the stark tragedy of Singapore and the final scene with the Japanese conqueror, General Tomoyuki Yamashita, rattling his Samurai sword and rasping his demand for unconditional surrender of some 60,000 British soldiers to which the tall, boyish British General finally whispered: "Yes." The despatches are, as General Percival claimed, a "simple straightforward account" and a valuable account, but, as one commentator observed, "Percival is too much of a gentleman."

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"I understand today is your birthday, Perkins, and as a little token of esteem, I'm returning your lawnmower!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

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WHAT'S THE BIG
RUSH?

It is all very well and good to assure the defeat of the opponent's doubled contract by cashing the trick that does it. Risking possible failure to beat the contract is obviously expensive. But when there is no question whatever about the certainty of beating it, the able defender should ordinarily go all-out in his effort to beat it as badly as possible. If postponing your own side's trick taking promises to increase the punishment without endangering the assurance of setting it, there is no point to being in a hurry.

S. A. 3
H. K. J. 10 4 2
D. A.
C. 10 8 6 5 2
S. K. 9 8
H. Q. 9 8
D. K. 5 4
C. A. K. 14
S. J. 10 6 5 4
H. 6 3
D. Q. J. 9 8
C. 7 3

(Dealer: North. East-West vulnerable.)

North	East	South	West
1 H	Pass	1 S	1 NT
2 C	2 D	2 S	2 NT
3 S	3 NT	4 S	Pass

Pretty bad bidding, especially by South, a "bidding fool," and by his partner who in spite of knowing South's reputation should have considered his vulnerable opponents over their depth, which they were. They didn't have a chance to make the No Trump game. In the 4-Spades, South should have been punished much more.

worse than he was, but East was in too much of a hurry to set the contract at all. The club K and A were scored and the 4 led, which East ruffed with the spade Q so he could immediately cash the setting trick with the heart A. Thereby he limited his side to one more trick, with the spade K, so that the set was of only two tricks.

East's hasty play of the heart A was worth plenty to South, as it set up all of the hearts in dummy, considering the marked finesse, while leaving the diamond A as a re-entry.

Having decided to ruff the third trick with his spade Q, East could have made much better use of his chance to lead. If he had returned a diamond to the A, and decided to hold his heart A until the second round, South never could have used the heart suit for diamond discards. He hearted suit from there on, and we will see how that would have complicated things for the declarer, putting him down at least one more than he actually was beaten.

Tomorrow's Problem

S. K. 7 5
H. A. 10 5 2
D. J. 2
C. A. Q. 5 4
S. J. 9 8 4
H. K. J. 8
D. K. 10
C. J. 10 8 2
S. A. Q. 10 6
H. 9
D. A. Q. 9 5 4
C. K. 6 3

(Dealer: North. East-West vulnerable.)

North	East	South	West
1 H	Pass	1 S	1 NT
2 C	2 D	2 S	2 NT
3 S	3 NT	4 S	Pass

If South gets into 6-Spades, East doubles and West leads the heart Q, how should South play for it?

General's Shoot
From Hip Speech

Jerusalem, Feb. 26.

He will retire when Britain gives up her mandate on May 15, General Sir Alan Cunningham, High Commissioner for Palestine, announced in Jerusalem today.

General Cunningham told British residents in Jerusalem that what had been achieved by Britain in Palestine would stand and grow to the lasting benefit of the country.

He declared that but for "outside interference," Britain could have brought the Palestine problem to a happy end.

The High Commissioner said that he believed sincerely that the Palestine problem could have been solved by the British administration in the Holy Land.

"We had behind us 25 years of solid achievement in Palestine," he said. "There is in this country a structure of extremely sound administration, but the millstone around our necks has always been security."

"What soldiers, what police, would have shown the tolerance and patience British soldiers and police have shown in the past two years?" Sir Alan asked.

Sir Alan said it had been stated in the past that trouble between the Arabs and the Jews had been due to the British wanting to stay in the country. "That has now been utterly confounded," he declared.

"The problem has now come out for what it is—a bitter conflict between Arabs and Jews in which we have been trying to keep them apart and solve the problem."

General Cunningham, in what he called a "shoot from the hip" speech to the British residents of Jerusalem, referred to the morass of international immorality, self-interest and prejudice surrounding Britain, and added it was time to take stock as Britons.

"On the credit side, there is much more than on the debit side," he said. He concluded his speech by paying a tribute to the loyalty and help he had received from the administration during his two years, as High Commissioner of Palestine and told the British men and women present: "It is your duty to keep your memory alive!"—Reuter.

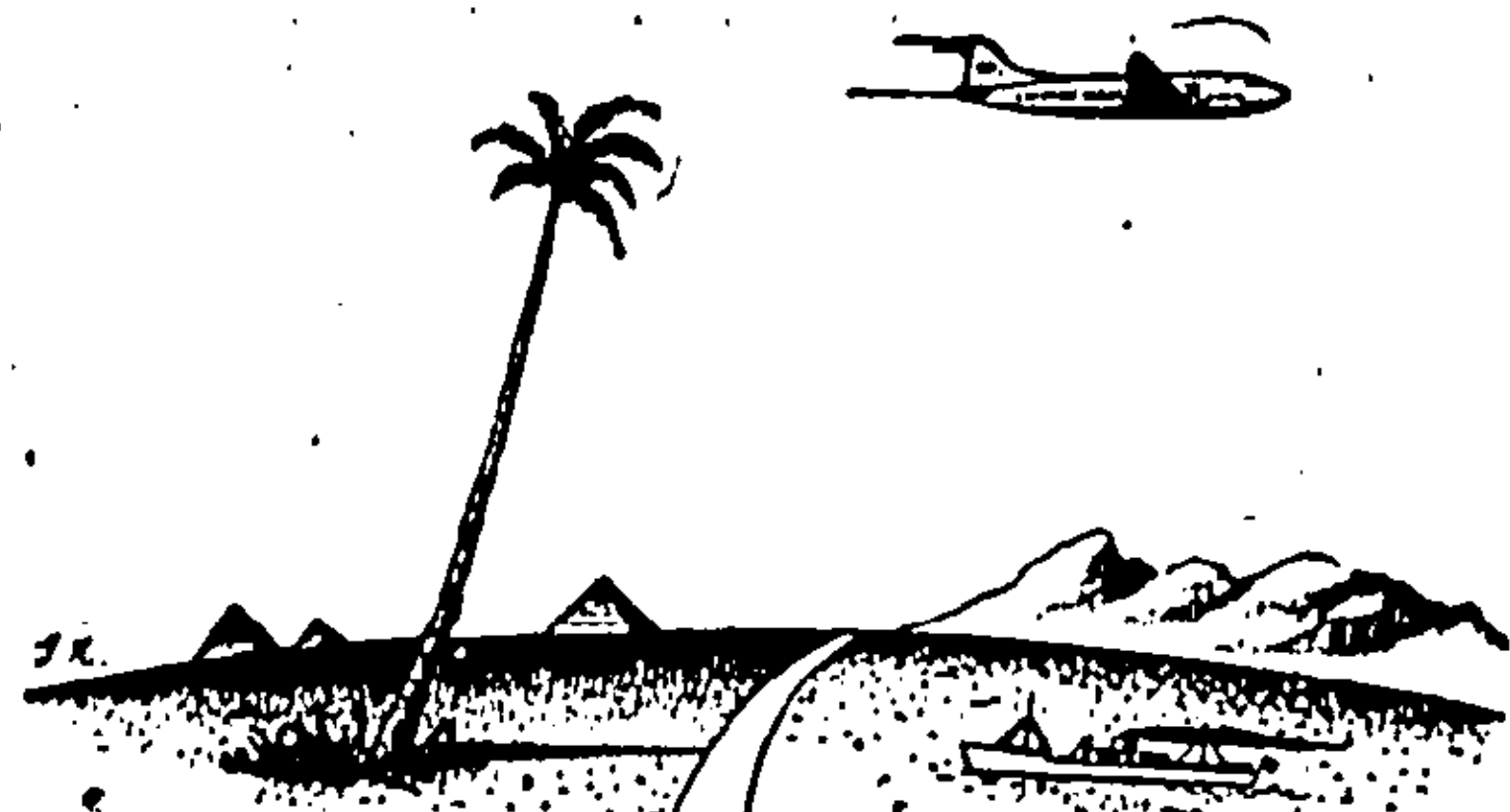
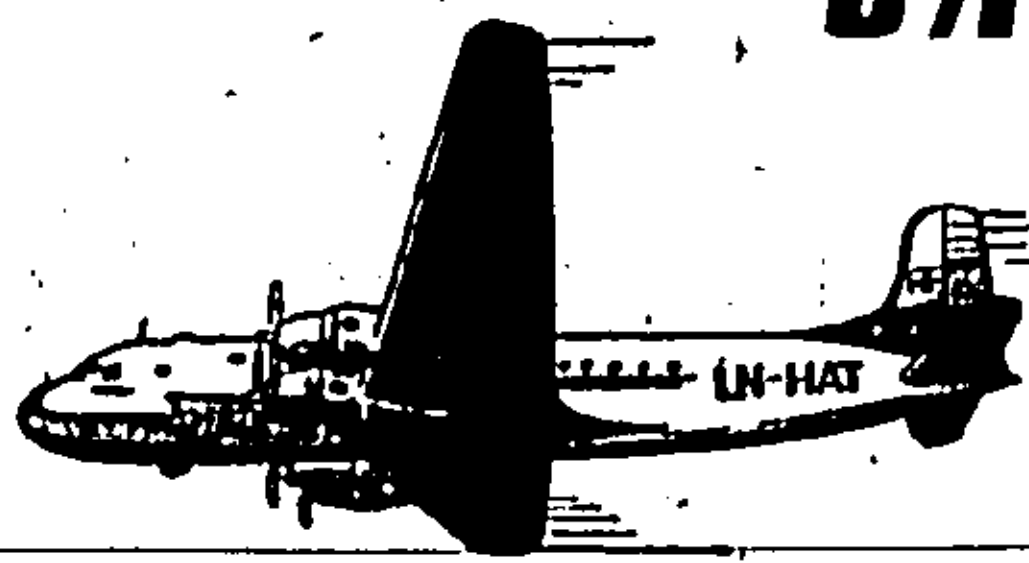
FALKENHAUSEN
IN BELGIUM

Brussels, Feb. 26.

General Alexander von Falkenhausen, wartime German Military Governor of Belgium and Northern France, was brought under escort from Namur today to a Brussels prison today for trial as a war criminal.

The general was arrested at some of the "Nuremberg trials." His own trial is expected to take place in November.—Reuter.

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THE PERCIVAL DESPATCHES

Plain Speaking By Malaya Commander "Too Much With Too Little"

London, Feb. 26.
Lt.-Gen. A. E. Percival reported tonight that he was forced to surrender Singapore in 1942, mainly because of weak British air and naval support against overpowering Japanese invaders. The day-by-day report of the bloody, 10-week battle made by the British Army commander in Malaya was published in the official London Gazette tonight, six years after the city's fall.

Percival acknowledged "glaring weaknesses" in arrangements for the defence of the Far Eastern bastion that was once thought invulnerable. Nevertheless, he said, the battle was won by Japanese superiority particularly in the air and on the sea. His 100,000-word despatch, written in 1946 after his release from a Japanese prison camp, is the latest official word on one of the most criticised campaigns of the Pacific war.

In it, he denies, by implication, widely published charges that two British military leaders were caught unprepared for Japanese landings in Northern Malaya and their speedy advance through the peninsula's jungles to capture Singapore.

Too Little

Percival quoted his own reports dating back to 1937 urging defence preparations in Northern Malaya. Throughout were accounts of being forced to do much with too little.

Too few troops, too little time for training troops. Too few aircraft. Too few naval vessels—especially after the sinking of the battleship Prince of Wales and the battle cruiser Repulse.

Percival's report said that British forces—United Kingdom, Australian, Indian and Malayan troops—fought gallantly. But they were poorly trained and in some cases poorly disciplined to combat jungle tactics of crack Japanese soldiers.

The grim tale of retreat after retreat down the 400-mile Malayan peninsula to Singapore disclosed what Percival called the "unreliability of semi-trained and inexperienced troops in critical situations."

Not Trained

Troops stationed in Malaya for some time before the war were well trained and a match for the Japanese, he said. But there was no time for training reinforcements who arrived just before and during the Japanese attack.

Malayan military chiefs and urged since 1937 that additional troops, aircraft and ships be sent to defend Northern Malaya from danger of invasion leading to Singapore's lightly defended landward side, Percival said.

His report added: "It seems, however, that the change in the situation was not as fully appreciated at home as it was in Malaya, or it may have been that lack of resources of manpower, material and money made it impossible to comply with the recommendations made. In any case it was not until 1940 that official approval was given to the other determined attack. It was clear-

Main Cause

"In the autumn of 1940, when it had become apparent that we were not in a position to send a fleet to the Far East, the Home authorities laid down that the defence of Malaya must depend primarily on air power but that, until adequate air forces could be provided, the land forces must be strengthened. The policy of relying primarily on air power was in fact never implemented."

"In consequence of the above policy the Army dispositions were designed primarily to afford protection to the bases from which the air forces when available would operate. In the event, the army had to bear practically the whole weight of the Japanese attack with little air or naval support. This was the main cause of defeat."

Percival said preparation of his despatch had been influenced by publication of many accounts of the ill-fated Malayan campaign often based on false and incomplete information.

Jap Strength

Giving his estimate of Japanese strength as opposed to British defending troops, Percival said reports that British outnumbered the Japanese were incorrect.

He estimated Japanese troops totalled 150,000 in Malaya compared with 125,000 British troops, many of whom arrived late in the campaign to replace casualties.

The Japanese, Percival said, used about 300 first line aircraft in Malaya compared to 141 British planes, most of them outdated.

The Japanese, he reported, advanced across the jungles, rivers and swamps of Northern Malaya "much more rapidly than had been thought possible."

Describing the surrender of Singapore after the week-long battle for the island, Percival said the final decision was made because the Japanese had captured the city's water reservoirs.

Last Conference

This was his account of the final staff conference at 9.30 a.m. on Feb. 15, 1942:

"A discussion on the general situation followed. The danger of the water situation, particularly as it affected the Indian troops and the vast civil population, was stressed. There was also the danger of a breakthrough into the crowded town area if the Japanese delivered an official approval was given to the other determined attack. It was clear-

AS MOSCOW SEES IT

Moscow, Feb. 25.
When the Allies landed in France on D-Day, they confronted only 50 or 60 German divisions of "the weakest personnel and poorly armed," the Communist newspaper, *Trud*, declared today.

The only serious resistance the Allies met throughout the campaign, *Trud* said, was Field Marshal von Rundstedt's counter-offensive in the Ardennes and that had no serious consequences because the Red Army launched a great offensive eight days earlier at the request of the Allies.

Reuter.

ly no good remaining on the defensive as we were.

"As I viewed the situation, the alternatives were either (A), to counter-attack immediately to regain control of the reservoirs and of the military food depots and to drive back the enemy's artillery with a view to reducing the damage to the water supply system, or (B), to capitulate immediately."

Formation commanders were unanimously of the opinion that in the existing circumstances a counter attack was impracticable.

Unanimous

"I could see no immediate solution for the critical water situation and decided to capitulate. The other members of the conference concurred unanimously with the decision."

That afternoon the British commander was received by Lt.-Gen. Yamashita, the Japanese commander, in the Ford factory north of the city and signed the surrender terms.

Percival, now 60 years old, is retired and living in Hertfordshire.—Associated Press.

Egypt Jars Council

Lake Success, Feb. 25.

Egypt today warned the United Nations Security Council that the Arab world would fight every United Nations attempt to enforce partition on Palestine.

Egypt said Arabs from surrounding countries would rush to the rescue of the Palestine Arabs.

Mahmoud Bey Fawzi of Egypt said: "Persistence in implementing the Assembly resolution will head matters to certain disaster."

Mr. Fawzi spoke quietly but the hard-fisted defiance of his words jarred delegates.

He said: "The trend toward Jewish dominance in Palestine cannot continue." — United Press.

PIRACY IN THE BALTIC?

Stockholm, Feb. 26.
Suggestions of "piracy in the Baltic" have been made by Swedish newspapers following the mysterious disappearance of the crews of two small Swedish merchant ships, missing since they left Stolpmuende, a former German Baltic port now in Poland, a week ago.

The *Aftonbladet*, the biggest paper in Scandinavia, suggested the Russians might have seized the ships and taken off their crews.

The Swedish Foreign Office has instructed its embassies in Moscow and Warsaw to ascertain whether the seamen, 18 in all, have been picked up and landed at some Russian or Polish port.

The ships, *Iwan* and *Kinnokulle*, were sailing from Poland to Swedish ports.

On Monday the *Kinnokulle* was found abandoned near the island of Bornholm with signs of an explosion in the engine room. Lifebelts and wreckage bearing the name of *Iwan* were found off Bornholm and Swedish authorities believe she foundered, possibly after hitting a mine.—Reuter.

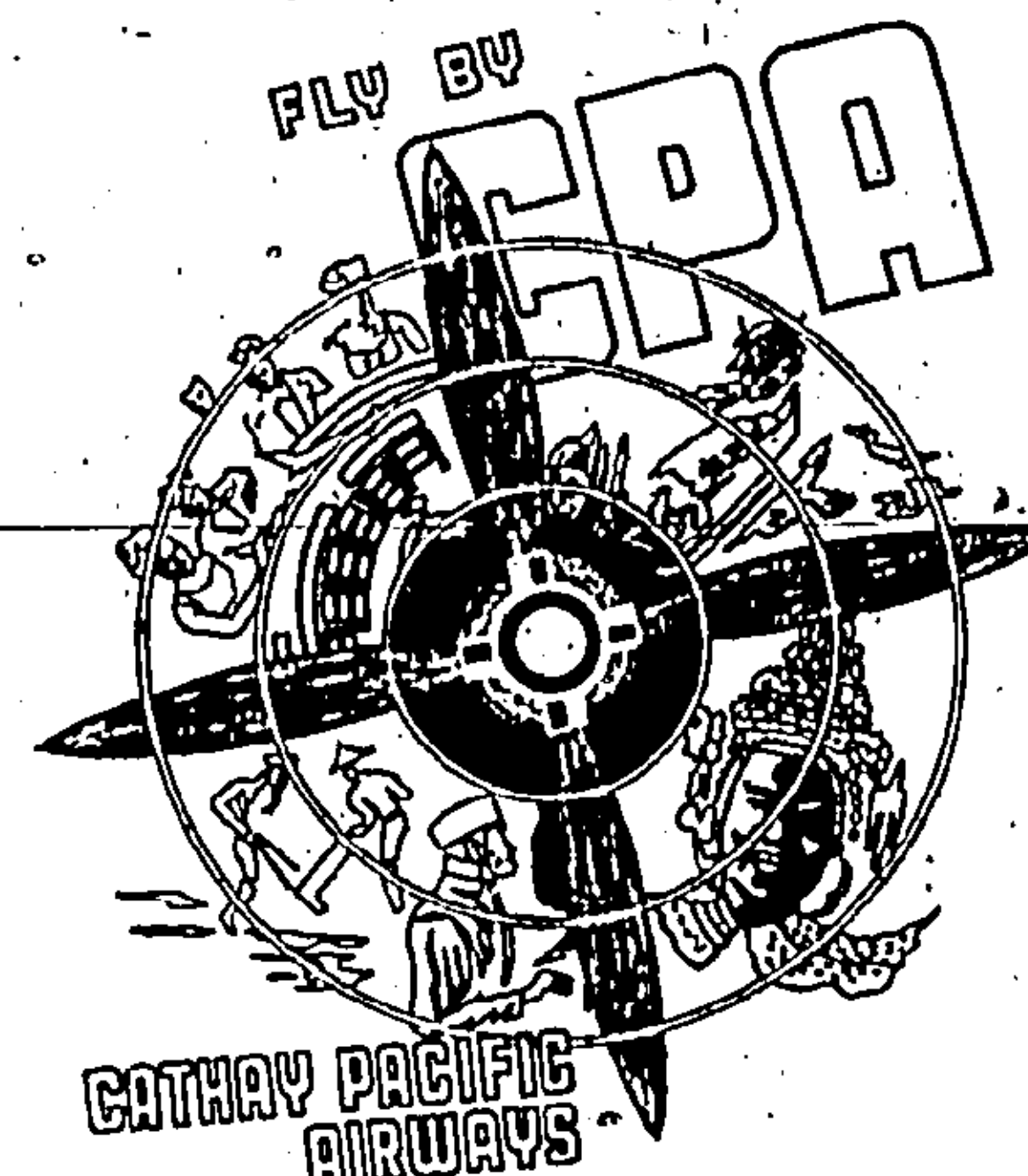
HERRIOT ILL

Paris, Feb. 25.
Mr. Edouard Herriot, the 74-year-old Radical Elder Statesman and three times French Prime Minister, is suffering from influenza.

He was elected President of the National Assembly in January.

A bulletin issued tonight said that he had a temperature and would be obliged to stay in bed for several days.—Reuter.

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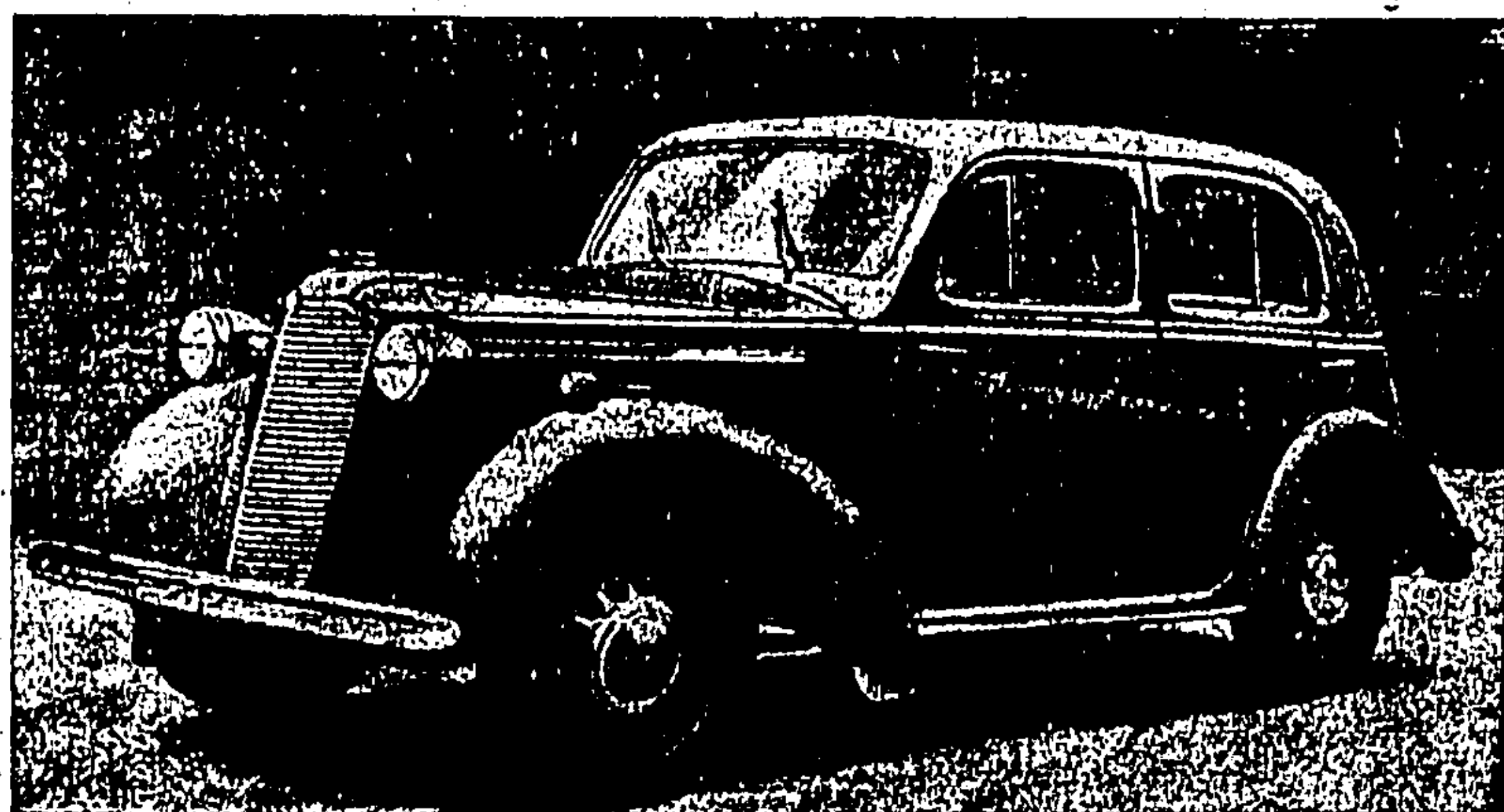
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CINEMA WORLD

CHINA'S HOLLYWOOD

What It Lacks In Polish It Makes Up For In Guts

China's Hollywood may lack quality and polish, but it has plenty of guts.

In the last 10 years of its short history it has not hesitated to criticize inefficiency and corruption, and ridicule the ridiculous.

It poked fun at the Japanese during the Japanese occupation, and it criticized the Chinese government and government officials today. And this, despite Japanese bayonets during the war, and State control of the bulk of the movie industry today.

When the Japanese look over China's Hollywood after Pearl Harbor, most of the movie personnel stayed on their jobs. The Japanese enforced strict discipline—and technically the quality of productions reached heights recognized as superior to prewar or postwar Level standards.

But—as Japanese propaganda vehicles—the movies were a complete flop.

By using subtle, peculiarly Chinese gestures and figures of speech—which were meaningless to the Japanese—Chinese movie personnel ridiculed the occupation forces consistently. Few Japanese went to see Chinese movies, and those who did usually missed the point.

"They were puzzled by the Chinese audience's sense of humour," one Shanghai distributor told the Associated Press. "They couldn't understand why certain seemingly innocent remarks brought down the house."

"During the latter part of the occupation," he added, "constant, well-camouflaged predictions of a Japanese collapse made the local Japanese lose a great deal of face."

"But," he said, "under the Japs everyone, hustled—from directors

to prop-men. If they were caught slacking, they were accused of sabotage. And the real sabotage was going on all the time."

Most of the big names of China's wartime Hollywood have disappeared from the movie spotlight to-day. Hardly any of them have been prosecuted.

Two of China's best-known pre-war comedians, Yung and Yu—the Lauri and Hardy of China—have not appeared in a new picture since the end of the war, though a re-issue of one of their old ones is now being shown. They provided much of the comic relief in films produced by the Japanese.

And—to judge from the current output of Chinese films—the independence of spirit among China's movie folk has in no way been squashed.

One distributor told the Associated Press that the most common features of postwar films

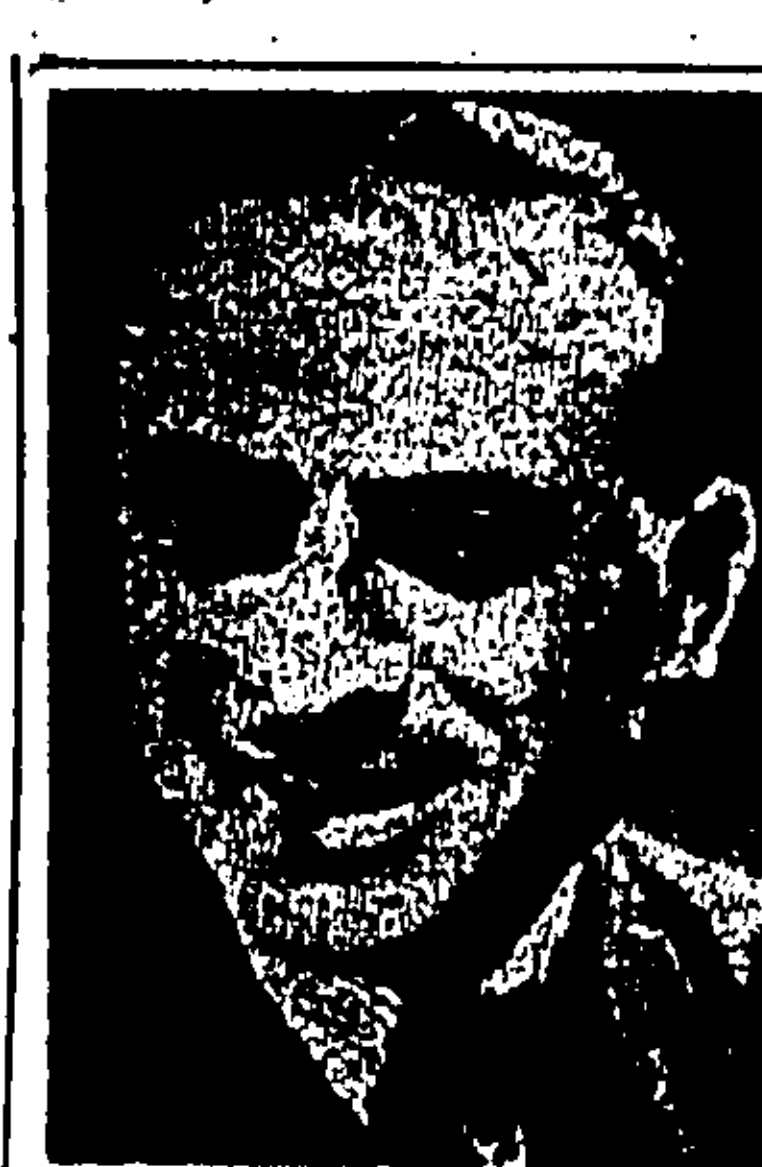
are the outright criticism of the government and its officials, and direct and indirect attacks on prevailing corruption and inefficiency among public officials.

"It's the most popular form of wit in Chinese movies to-day," he said.

"You find it in comedies and in dramas, in love stories and—naturally—in films with a political background. Throughout, there is a veiled, and sometimes not so veiled, criticism of present conditions and parodying of topical cases of corruption."

"Even movies produced by China's State-controlled studios," he added, "often cater to the prevailing public appetite for sideswiping the government."

One returned student described this as an "internal revolt," but, he added, "it performs quite an essential function. It acts as a safety valve."—Associated Press



SIR MICHAEL BALON, of the J. Arthur Rank Organization, who had the honour of Knight Bachelor conferred on him in the King's New Year honours list. Sir Michael is producer of "Hue and Cry" shortly to be shown in Hong Kong.

--SHADOWS BEFORE--

HUE AND CRY (LEE)

Stars: Alastair Sim, Jack Warner, Valerie White and Jack Lambert. Story: About a bunch of London boys who get caught up in an adventure which recaptures the thrills of youth in the popular penny "blood and thunder." Michael Balon, the producer, describes it as a film which "begs to differ and this is an excellent description. Amusing as well as exciting."

DARK PASSAGE (LEE)

Stars: Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall. Story: Of a hunted man, turned hunter in a desperate attempt to solve the mystery of his wife's murder. The accent throughout is on action and it moves at a tense pace from its beginning to an unusual denouement. Lauren discards her

shiny type of role for that of a sincere young woman and, in giving her an opportunity of which she makes full use, Agnes Moorehead, as mistress of the menacing type of character, also does an excellent job.

NEW ORLEANS (LEE)

Stars: Arturo de Cordova and Dorothy Patrick. Story: Not frightfully important as to chief purpose is to keep the film moving to permit of some first-class jazz. It covers the evolution of jazz from its origins in New Orleans back in the days of the first World War to the more sophisticated extravaganzas of today, not to mention oogie-woogie. Irene Rich appears in a film for the first time for years. Good entertainment value.

MOTHER WORE TIGHTS (KING'S)

Stars: Betty Grable and Dan Dailey. Story: None of that corny, tearful stuff of boy-meets-girl, boy strays, girl weeps, boy leaves, accidental

THE END OF THE RIVER (KING'S)

Stars: Sabu and Bibi Ferreira. Story: Against a Brazilian background, and filmed in Brazil, it follows in its early sequences the life of a people hardly known. The main theme is of a native thrown into the complex world of white man's civilization, and finding that the two worlds cannot be reconciled. Bibi Ferreira is quite a discovery. "The End of the River" is in the real tradition of British films, supreme in the sphere of reality.



All the moments in the thrilling new showing at the King's are clearly not blood-curdling. Above are the three stars, Alan Ladd, Gail Russell and William Bendix.

Current Shows

HUMORESQUE (Lee Theatre). Joan Crawford and John Garfield. Strong drama, blended with some first-class music.

VARIETY GIRL (Queen's). Virtually all Paramount's stars appear at one stage or another. First-class revue entertainment and musical comedy.

CALCUTTA (King's). Alan Ladd, Gail Russell, and William Bendix. A crime thriller concerned with Over The Hump pilots, and a girl. Bendix produces the light relief.

THE MAN WITHIN (Cathay). Michael Redgrave and Jean Kent. A British film in the best style.

EASY TO WED (Majestic). Van Johnson and Esther Williams, which for the fans, says all that need be said.

MRS. MINIVER (Star). Walter Pidgeon and Greer Garson. One of the outstanding war films, magnificently played.

SEND FOR PAUL TEMPLE (Alhambra). Anthony Hulme and Joy Shelton. A crime thriller.

THE TIGER WOMAN (Central). The first episode of a serial. "The first episode of a serial."

THE LITTLE GIRLS IN BLUE (Oriental).



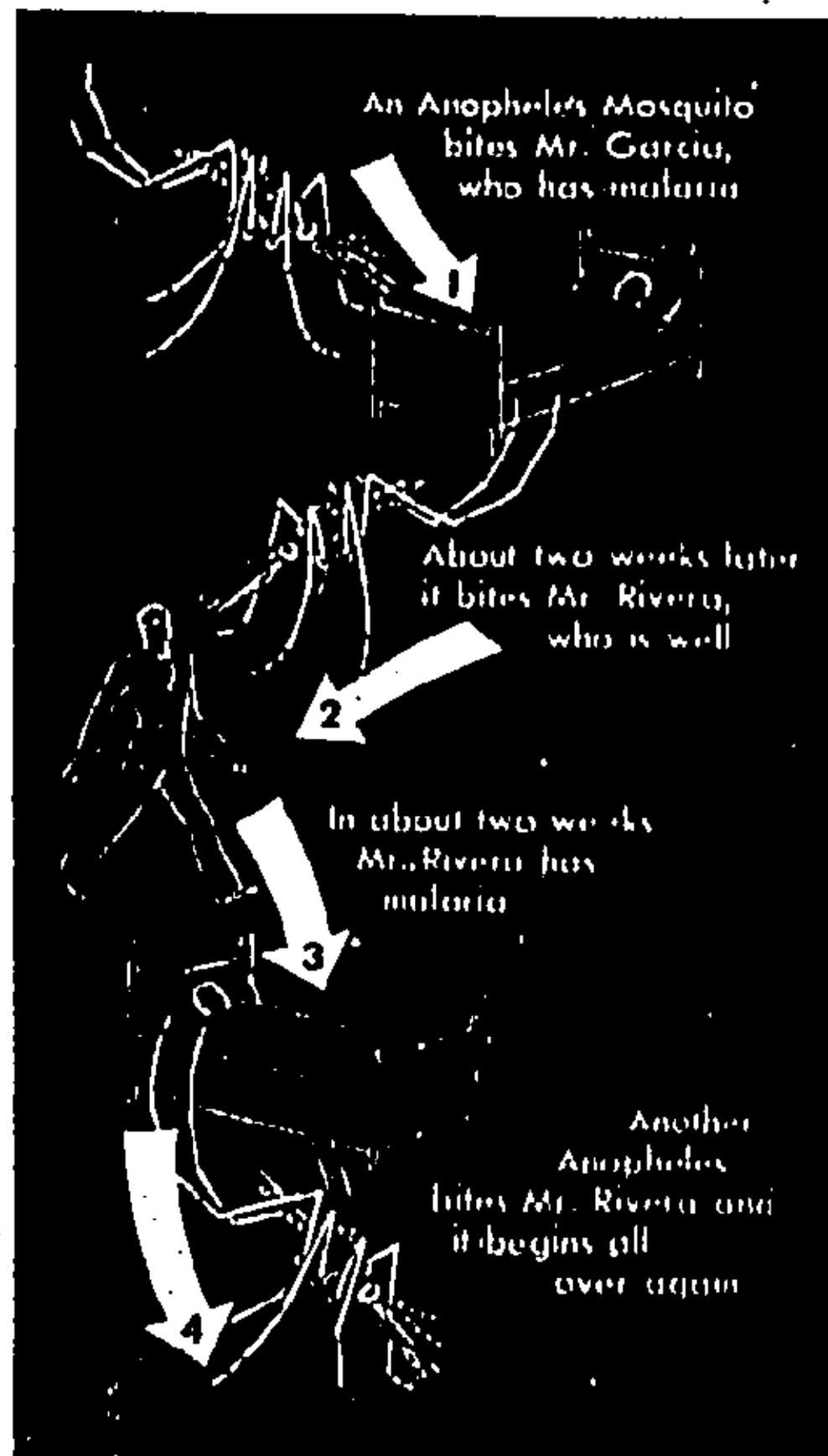
Queen of the Bathing Beauties, Paulette Goddard, takes her bubble bath in "Variety Girl" which is now showing at the Queen's.

Hollywood Tips

Johnny Weissmuller, who has been "Tarzan" for 15 years, is making his 12th appearance in that role in "Tarzan and the Mermaids," for RKO Radio release.

Lee Remick, who plays opposite Rosalind Russell in "The Velvet Touch," was a prisoner of the Berlin concentration camp during the war.

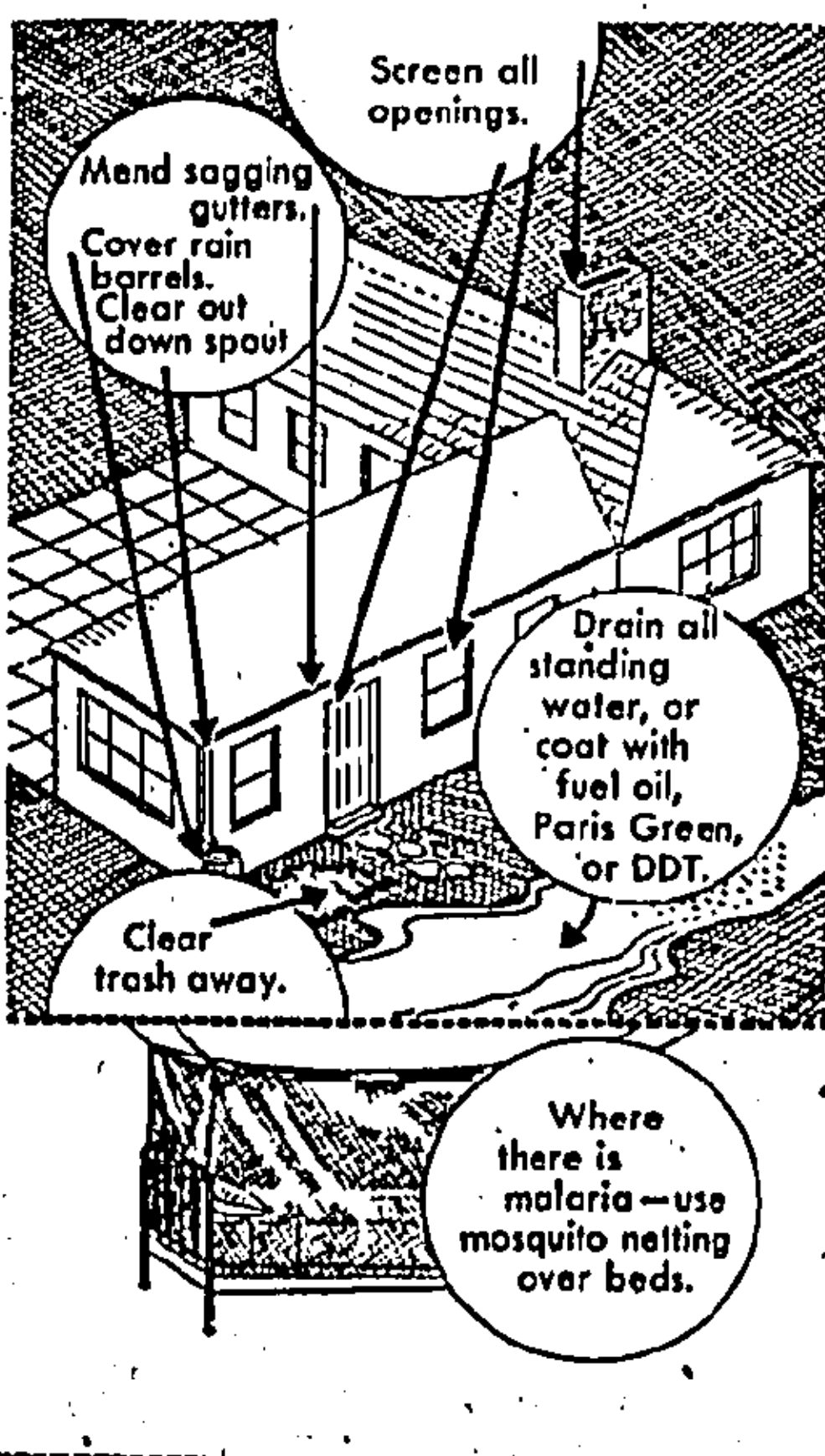
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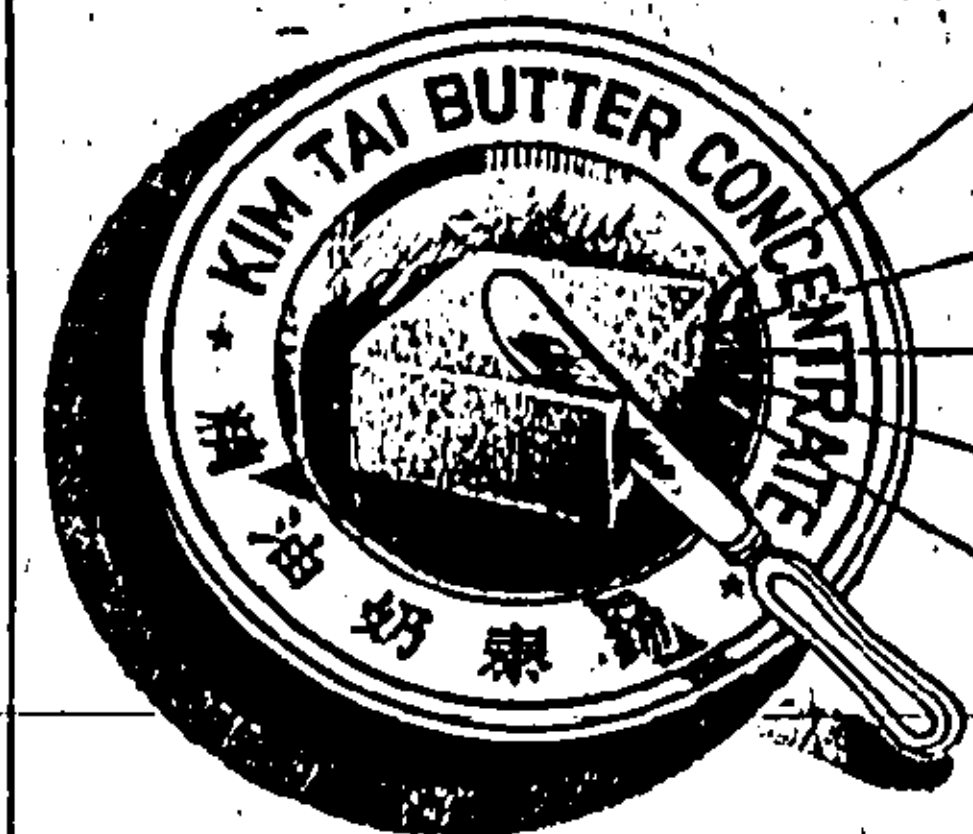
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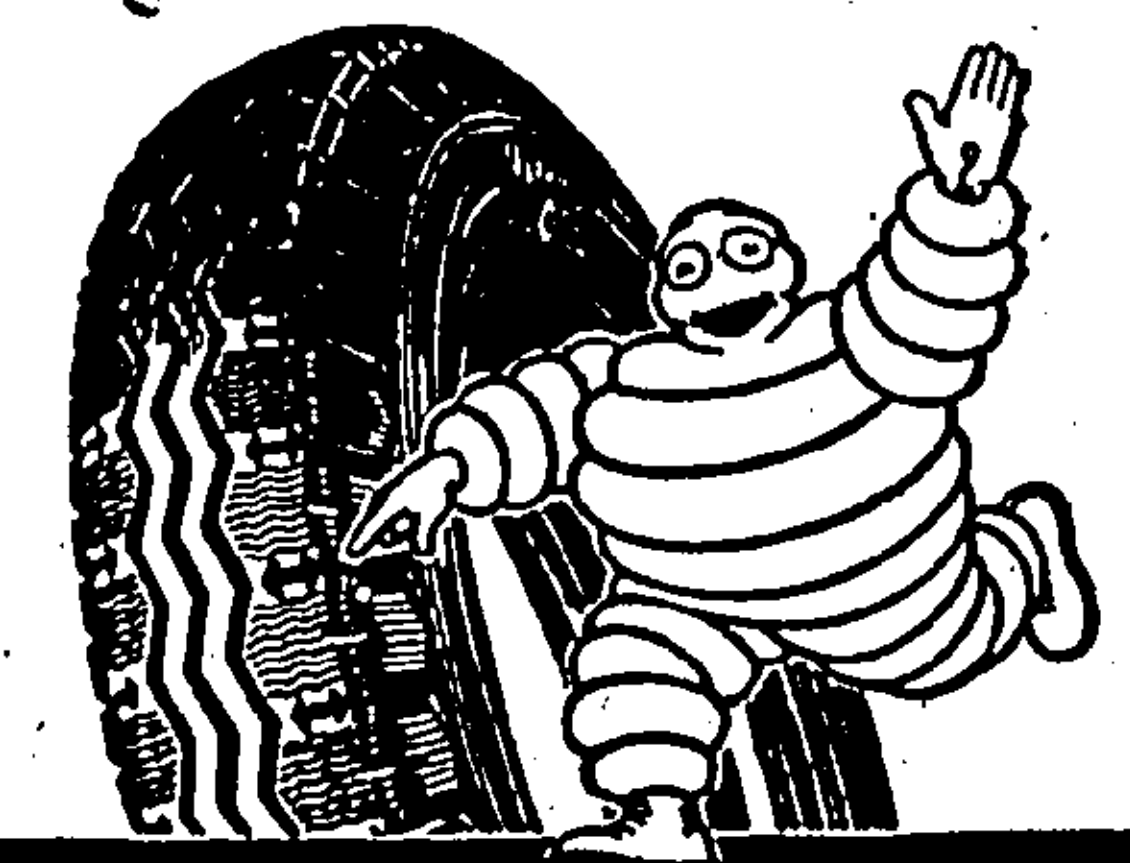
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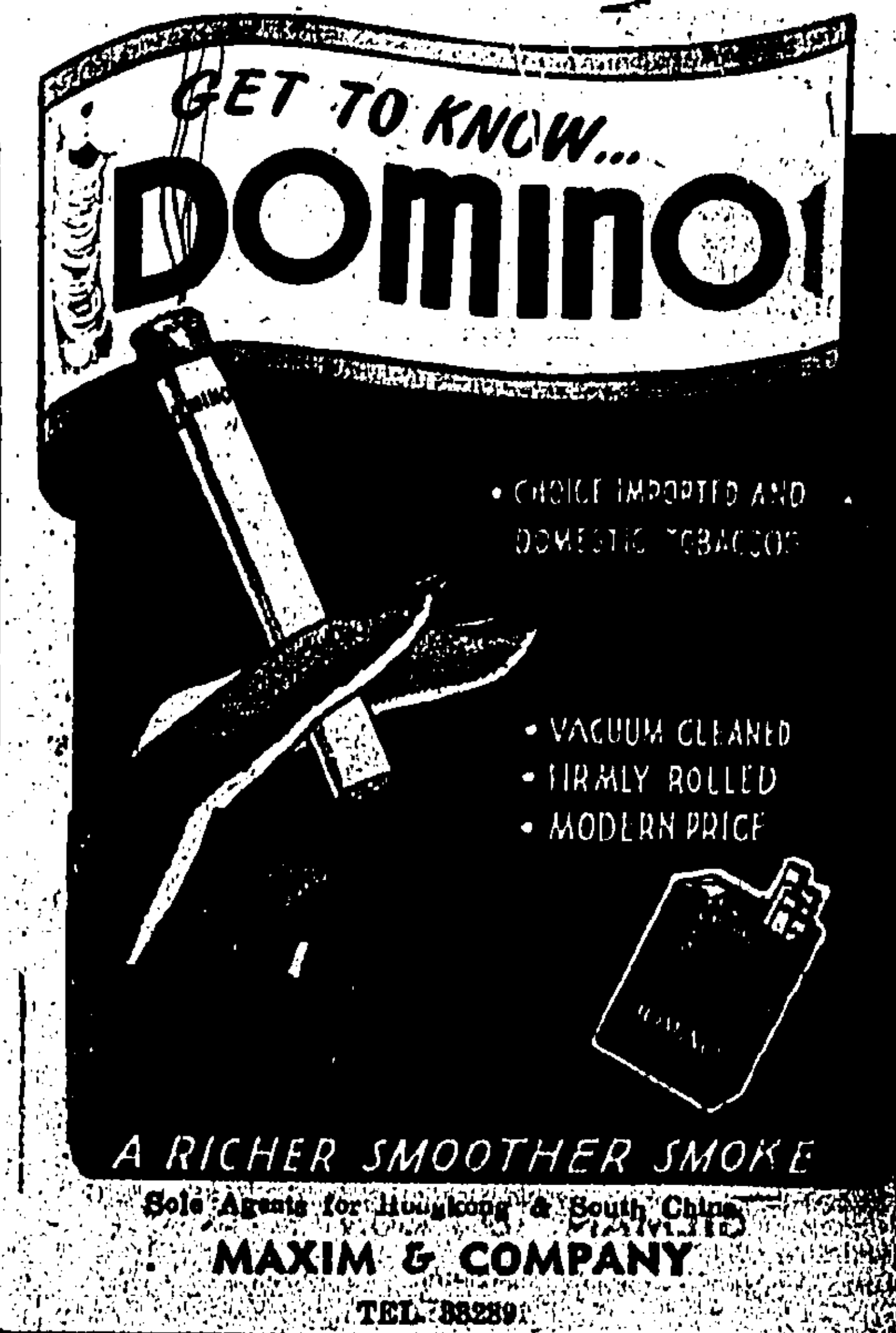
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CZECH COMMUNISTS WIN New Cabinet Formed: Reds Get 12 Posts Demonstration Of Force

Prague, Feb. 25.
The formation of a new Czechoslovak Government, which includes trade union representation, a priest and a woman, was announced tonight—the sixth day in the Czechoslovak governmental crisis.

The announcement was greeted by vast crowds which had gathered in Wenceslas Square. There was a holiday atmosphere, Czech and Red flags were displayed and there were shouts of "Long Live Benes" and "Long Live the Action Committees."

But at the same time, strong patrols of armed troops, with rifles, machine-guns, and pouches bulging with ammunition, moved slowly through the crowds—an underlying demonstration of force.

While the crowds grew, Prague Radio announced the new Cabinet presented to the President of the Czechoslovak Republic, Dr. Eduard Benes, headed by the Premier, M. Klement Gottwald (Communist).

The new Cabinet consists of 24 members of all parties and was approved by the President tonight.

The list is:

Masaryk Stays
Prime Minister—M. Klement Gottwald, Communist.
Deputy Premiers—M. Wilam Siroky, Chairman of the

STUDENTS FIRED ON

Bad Nauheim, Feb. 25.
Czech police in Prague fired on a group of non-Communist students when they tried to march to the Presidential Palace this afternoon, DENA, the German news agency, quoted a report from Prague tonight, killing two and wounding four.

The report added that the Rector and Dean of the Charles University were denied entry into the university by an "Action Committee."—Reuter.

Communist Party of Slovakia, M. Bohumil Lausman, Chairman of the Social Democrat Party, and M. Antonin Zapotocky, Chairman of the Czech Trade Union Congress.

Foreign Minister—M. Jan Masaryk, Non-Party.
Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs: M. Vladimir Clementis (Communist) — no change.

National Defence—General Ludvig Svoboda (Non-Party) — no change.
Secretary of State in the Ministry of National Defence—Dr. Jan Seveik (Slovak Democrat), former Deputy Speaker in the Czechoslovak Parliament—new appointment.
Foreign Trade—Dr. Antonin Gregor (Communist) — appl.

Interior—M. Vclav Nosek (Communist) — no change.
Finance—Dr. Jaromir Dolinsky (Communist) — no change.
Popular Education—Dr. Zdenek Nejedly (Communist), former Minister of Social Welfare.

Justice—Dr. Alexey Cepicka (Communist), former Minister of Home Trade.
Industry—M. Zdenek Fierlinger (Social Democrat)—new appointment.
Information—M. Vclav Kopecky (Communist) — no change.

Agriculture—M. Julius Zuzka (Communist)—no change.
Internal Trade—M. Frantisek Krajcik (Communist), former Chairman of the Central Chamber of Commerce.
Transport—Alois Petr (People's Party—Catholics), former Deputy Speaker—new appointment.

Technical Planning—Professor Emanuel Sleshta (National Socialist), a member of the Central Planning Commission—new appointment.
Posts—Dr. Alois Neumann (National Socialist)—new appointment.
Social Welfare—M. Evzan Erhan (Social Democrat)—Secretary General of the Trade Union Movement—new appointment.

Health—M. Josef Plojhar (People's Party)—a Roman Catholic priest—new appointment.
Supply—Madame Ludmila Jankovska (Social Democrat), formerly Minister of Industry.

Unification: — Dr. Walter Srobar (Slovak Freedom Party) — new appointment.

Key Posts

The Communists held 12 Ministries, including the key posts of Prime Minister, Interior, Finance and Information.

There are two non-party Ministers remaining in office, General Svoboda, War Minister, and M. Jan Masaryk, Foreign Minister.

The Social Democrats have one Deputy Prime Minister and three other Ministers.

The National (Czech) Socialists (Liberals) have two Ministries, the People's Party (Catholics) two, the Slovak Freedom Party one and the Slovak Democrats (Conservatives) one.

The announcement of the names of the new Cabinet was made by M. Gottwald from an improvised platform on a lorry in Wenceslas Square.

M. Gottwald said: "The proposals which I have made for a new Cabinet have been signed (by President Benes) and immediately after leaving you now, I am going to counter-sign them."

"Will, Of The People"

The vast crowds greeted all the known names, as the list was read out, with loud cheers.

M. Gottwald told the crowds: "It was not easy for President Benes to accept the proposals for the new Cabinet.

"It took some time till he thought it over and decided. But finally the President recognised the necessity of such measures, principally because he realised they respond to the will and the voice of the people."

"We are grateful to President Benes today that he has respected the will and the desire of the people even in things which he personally found very difficult to accept.

"Reaction, which has planned a decisive blow against our popular democratic order, has been smashed and defeated. The firm determination of our people has been primarily responsible for its defeat."

Earlier in the afternoon, lorries brought load after load of orderly workers from factories, Ministries and other centres, to the Square where they awaited the official announcement.

Order To Workers
Above the hubbub of the crowds, as they waited for the Prime Minister, blaring loud-speakers interspersed musical items with exhortations to the people to buy special editions of the Communist Party organ, "Rude Pravo."

As Prague awaited the new Government, the newly-formed Action Committees were getting into their stride.

Today, factories were working under a new order by which workers opposing the new regime could be dismissed with no right of appeal.

In a letter made public today, President Benes reaffirmed his stand on the principles of Parliamentary democracy, appealed for conciliation and "a certain measure of freedom and concord," and named M. Gottwald, leader of the "strongest party," as the head of the new Government.

A Warning

Today's events in Prague were described by Yvon Delbos, an outstanding Radical and a former Foreign Minister, as "a tragedy and a warning, for France, as for all free countries." (Continued on Page 11)

Hong Kong Siege

Ottawa, Feb. 25.
A motion for the publication of a "paraphrased" copy of the Royal Commission evidence on Canada's role in the defence of Hong Kong was adopted by the Canadian House of Commons last night. The motion for tabling the evidence was made by Mr. John Bracken, the Progressive Conservative Leader.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, had told the House that Britain did not object to publication, providing code messages were paraphrased.—Reuter.

SECRET AGREEMENT ON CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Washington, Feb. 26.
The political upheaval in Czechoslovakia may blow the lid off secret documents explaining Soviet-American wartime arrangements for liberating that nation.

Trouble On The Way?

Washington, Feb. 26.
Diplomatic quarters predicted today that the Communist sweep in Czechoslovakia will be followed soon by new Soviet-inspired trouble in France and Italy.

The Moscow timetable was believed to call for increased pressure in Greece, Turkey, Finland and Iran.

Fresh efforts to saddle Communist regimes on France and Italy have been anticipated here since the early winter attempts failed.

The Communists are expected to let loose with new demonstrations and strikes next month.

Some diplomats also are beginning to believe that Russia may attempt to incorporate some Eastern European nations into the Soviet Union. This would wipe out some present national boundaries to move Russia's frontiers farther west in effect as well as in practice.—United Press.

Catholics' Flight

Munich, Feb. 26.
Three anti-Communist politicians in flight from Czechoslovakia were arrested today as they were crossing the Oder into the U.S. zone of Germany.

German police officials said they were handed over to U.S. Army intelligence agents for interrogation.

The men, whose names were not disclosed, identified themselves as members of the Catholic People's Party. That is one of the parties at odds with the Communist Premier Klement Gottwald, in Czechoslovakia's political crisis.

The fugitives crossed the border at Waldhaus, near Passau, in south-eastern Germany.—Associated Press.

No Loan For Czechs

Washington, Feb. 25.
The World Bank mission to Czechoslovakia to investigate the Czech Government's application for a US\$350 million loan has been postponed.

The mission was to have left for Czechoslovakia today. No reason was given by officials for the postponement, but the assumption was that the present unstable conditions in Czechoslovakia would make it impracticable for the mission to report on Czechoslovakia's application for a loan, which was intended to finance various industrial projects as part of Czechoslovakia's two-year reconstruction plan.—Reuter.

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"TRESILLIAN"	U.K. and Continent via Straits	15th Apr.
"TREVILYAN"	Shanghai	17th Apr.
"TREVILYAN"	U.K. and Continent via Straits	2nd May
"TREVAN"	Shanghai	17th May
"TREVAN"	U.K. and Continent via Straits	31st May
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Feb. 28, Philippine Airlines, 12.45 p.m.

Mar. 2, Cathay Pacific, 12.30 p.m.

Mar. 2, Philippine Airlines, 12.45 p.m.

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Singapore

Feb. 27, Air Fran, 2 p.m.

Feb. 28, BOAC (Capt. Kyle), 4 p.m.

Mar. 1, BOAC (Capt. Scandling), 4 p.m.

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Feb. 29, Cathay Pacific, 2 p.m.

Mar. 3, Cathay Pacific, 2 p.m.

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Poole via Bangkok

Feb. 27, BOAC (Capt. Kyle), 7.30 a.m.

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Manila

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Strait Roenda (R.L.L.) from Japan and Shanghai, 10.15

DEPARTURES YESTERDAY

Flying Independent, Manila, 10.15

Hui Lee, Hain, 10.15

Kohsien, Hain, 10.15

Nitrocrum, Hain, 10.15

Yochow, Hain, 10.15

ARRIVALS TODAY

Hui Lee from Shanghai, 10.15

VEREELS IN PORT

Albur (Williamson) Kln. Dk.

Albion (Williamson) Kln. Dk.

Alphard (J.O.P.L.) Kln. Dk.

Ameranthus (Whitlock) Kln. Dk.

An Hui (H. & S.) Cunt. Wif.

Andie Lebon (China Mer.) Kln. Wif.

Amok (Walton) Kln. Wif.

Bennet (Hain Line) Kln. Wif.

Bushwood (Hain Line) Kln. Wif.

Carmen Moller (Moller) Kln. Wif.

Corrick Head (Everett) Kln. Wif.

Catcliffe (H.L.) Kln. Wif.

Catherine (H.E. Asia) Yumart

Eastern Suez (Jardine) Kln. Dk.

Empire Term (Jardine) Yumart

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Fu Kwang (A.P.C.) Port Ofc.

Hui Lee (C.M.N.) Kln. Wif.

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